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# COMMUTER TALES

by Miriam Mazor

*In 1989, with the completion of Centennial Hall, an era ended. The commuting student, so much a part of Barnard life from the very beginning, became extinct, or nearly so. In many ways it was inevitable, necessary, and a very good thing. But I could not help feeling a twinge of nostalgia, verging on melancholy, when I read that the new dormitory would put an end to the daily wanderings, by land and by sea, above ground and below, of a large number of Barnard women.*

*I wondered if the folklore of the commuter era would be lost forever, like the stories of a preliterate society absorbed into the 20th century mainstream. We don't have carvings or cave paintings to be remembered by, but we were, after all, literate, so I tracked down the written word. Students' off-campus living arrangements were not recorded by the College, but A History of Barnard College, by Marian Churchill White '29 (Columbia University Press, 1954) was extremely helpful and informative. It is the source of nearly all of the background information included below.*

*It was also clear, however, that I would have to turn to oral histories and written anecdotes to find out more about the commuter experience. An inquiry in the Alumnae Magazine brought letters and phone calls from alumnae spanning the decades from the twenties to the eighties. Their memories included vignettes of daily routines, unusual events, and remarkably few complaints. I thank all who shared their experiences with me and hope I have not misquoted or misinterpreted your recollections.*

## How Day Students Made a Difference

On October 7, 1889, Barnard College opened its doors, at 343 Madison Avenue, to 14 undergraduates and 22 "specials," all day students. Eight years later Columbia University moved uptown to its present location, and Barnard acquired a block on Broadway between 119th and 120th Streets. Milbank and Brinckerhoff Halls were built to provide classrooms and a theater, and science laboratories were to be installed in Fiske Hall (the western wing of Milbank). These were the days of horse cars, however, with the Broadway subway still a few years in the future, and the move uptown had greatly lengthened the travel time for students who commuted from Brooklyn, Staten Island or New Jersey. The trustees altered their plan and decided to use Fiske as a dormitory. (Although named as if they were separate buildings, and for many years referred to in the plural, Milbank, Fiske and Brinckerhoff are

today, in appearance and function, one building.)

The fact that Barnard was a college in a university and in a city, and that many of the students lived at home, affected the character of the institution right from the start, in small ways and large. As Marian White describes student life at the turn of the century: "At first many of the dormitory students were older women doing graduate work. Their presence meant that the boarding school type of high jinks never got started at Barnard...The heavy, dark dresses of the early nineties...began to give way to easier Gibson girl shirtwaists...but the dormitory girls, as well as the day girls who had to come through the public streets to their classes, clung to their gloves and to their hats atop a slipping pompadour. The girls called each other 'Miss' unless they were really intimate friends."

Unlike their sisters at country colleges, Barnard students came into contact with men on an everyday basis. In some colleges, campus dances attended by members of the other sex were unheard of until well into the twentieth century, but at Barnard the Junior Ball was well established by 1900.

Furthermore, as Mrs. White points out, "two general classes of students lived in New York and attended its local college. Both had to have real intellectual ability or they could never have stood the swift pace. The first were girls of families who could not afford to send their daughters to a boarding college. The second were daughters of prominent families who expected to make their debuts in society and so could hardly spend their winters away from New York. The mingling of these two groups was instructive to both. It produced a combination of polish and practicality which gave Barnard its own distinctive flavor from the first..."

"...One student of those days told with amusement that she had started late for an examination and begged the driver of the horse-drawn carriage to go faster. After a few such pleas he turned upon her. 'You may be a college girl,' he told her, 'but you're just one of a million people here. Now sit down, Miss, and you'll get to your test in due time.' It was healthy for girls to realize that they were only one busy group in a busy city, instead of creatures set apart. Such contacts with the everyday life of New York were part of their education and kept their sense of values in balance."

The college's heterogeneous population, combined with the large number of day students, also called into question the appropriateness of fraternities (as sororities were then known). By 1907 there were eight Greek-letter societies on campus, and a Pan Hellenic council to regulate them, but the

Miriam Dushman Mazor '59, M.D., is a psychiatrist practicing in Brookline, MA. A native of the Bronx, she commuted to Barnard on the Broadway-7th Avenue IRT. She now lives one block away from the "C" branch of the Boston MTA's Green Line and is still an avid rider of subways and buses; she believes that it is one of the best ways to study human behavior.

atmosphere was uneasy. The issue was brought into the open by **Freda Kirchwey** '15 (in later life a crusader for other causes as editor of *The Nation*) and in 1916 the faculty agreed with a committee report that "the evils of fraternities...on the whole outweigh the advantages." The fraternity system ceased to exist.

Another important element of Barnard life that was influenced by the viability of the "commuter option" was the high proportion of students entering as transfers. Young women from "progressive" New York homes often chafed under the restrictions of colleges acting *in loco parentis* and found that they had more freedom (as well as greater privacy, better food, and, often, someone to do their laundry) when they lived at home. Others missed the stimulation of city life, or the opportunities for special research. Commuting was a small price to pay for those advantages.

Although transfers had been a significant part of the student body since the 1920s, their numbers swelled in the Depression years when girls from local families who had gone away to school had to come back to New York and live at home for financial reasons. Some students who were already enrolled had to leave college altogether during this period, in order to try to find work. Although the number of applications for the entering class remained about the same, by 1933 there were 75 empty rooms in the dormitories. Marian White reports that "the Dean made the best of this situation by giving good foreign students a chance to live in those rooms and take Barnard courses. They could contribute little to the College income, but they added a great deal to college life."

In her Alumnae Day address in 1931, Dean Gildersleeve restated Barnard's commitment to commuting students: "People ask me how long Barnard will be able to stick it out in the face of the depression, and I tell them, 'Barnard will last forever.' So long as there are inhabitants on Manhattan Island, their young will be able to walk to Morningside Heights, and here they will find our faculty ready to instruct them. Professor Braun will still be teaching German, and Professor Mullins mathematics. Miss Wayman will tell them how to sit up straight, and I shall go back to teaching English."

### The Campus Takes Shape

In 1902, enrollment had grown to the point that Fiske Hall had to be restored to its original purpose as an academic building and the College was again without residential space. In 1906, the Associate Alumnae rented and furnished apartments on 122nd Street, providing space for 46 students, but a permanent dormitory was obviously needed. Brooks Hall was opened in 1907, with rooms for 100 girls and a dining room on the first floor.

The demand for housing continued to exceed the supply, however, and in 1916, a cooperative dormitory was opened when the Associate Alumnae leased two apartments at 99 Claremont Avenue. In 1918, six additional apartments were leased.

Hewitt Hall was opened in 1925. It reflected the more practical and casual style of the '20s, with a sink in each room and a cafeteria-style dining room. Facilities for commuters were similarly practical, and very limited. Each student had a locker in the basement of Brinckerhoff in which to stow her books and her lunch, and there was a "smoking room" in Barnard Hall. On special occasions or in especially bad weather, a commuter might stay in a spare bed in the dorms, but the principal residential experience for day students was at Barnard Camp (now known as Holly House, in honor of Professor Margaret Holland of the Department of Physical Education).

### Workin' on the Railroad, Barnard style

For many students, the daily trip to the Barnard campus and home again was long and arduous, in later decades almost as much as in the beginning. **Filomena Ricciardi** '23, the first Italian-American girl in Dobbs Ferry to attend college, came to Barnard with the help of a New York State Regents Scholarship. A typical day for her would begin at 6:30 A.M. "and after breakfast I walked a mile from my home to the New York Central Railroad station — fortunately downhill. The evening uphill climb was a little more strenuous.

"The trains were generally on time but lacking in modern amenities. In winter the heat was minimal. In summer the train windows were left wide open, and we breathed dusty hot air, resulting in perspiration and daily 'ring around the collar.' But I was happy to have those forty-five minutes of uninterrupted solitude to do some last minute reading and studying...My first monthly ticket cost a little over six dollars..."

"In order to make connections at either the Marble Hill (225th Street) station or the 125th Street station, I had to take a local train. At 225th Street, I had to climb a long flight of stairs to the street level, then another long flight to the IRT station, for my destination at 116th Street. If I chose 125th Street, I had to descend a not quite so long flight of stairs to the street level, take a trolley car west to Broadway, and there change for another trolley southbound. Even then, students were warned never to walk through Morningside Park as a short-cut, but always to keep to the safety of peopled streets. This rule was, I believe, scrupulously followed as I never heard of a bad incident."

**Lucy Stryker Kanouse** '26 was another long-distance commuter of modest means. "I was living (with my family) in Mountain Lakes, N.J. My



father was an elementary school teacher in Manhattan. In order to attend Barnard I boarded the 6:55 a.m. Delaware, Lackawanna and Western steam-train for Hoboken, together with my father and my sister (eleven years my senior, who was also a teacher in Manhattan). Commuters, mostly men, filled the train, and we sat in the same seats each day. From Hoboken we caught the Hudson and Manhattan 'tube' train to Hudson Terminal; my father and sister walked to their respective schools, and I caught the B'way-7th Ave. IRT local, changing to an express at Chambers St. During the 45 minute run to 116th St., I was too busy translating my Latin or French assignment to notice my fellow travelers. A quick walk along Broadway brought me to my locker in the basement of Brinckerhoff and I deposited therein my textbooks, notebooks, and homemade lunch and hurried to my first class..."

**Elise Cobb Balsam '35** is one whose college choice, and life style, were altered by the Depression. Her lifelong goal had been to go to Wellesley—"because they had a crew!! But then The Depression hit and I *had* to go to Barnard. Not for one minute did I regret it." She traveled on the New York Central from Scarsdale to 125th Street and often walked from there, since "the nickel you saved would almost buy your milk for lunch."

**Elizabeth Hall Janeway '35** traveled from Flatbush—one hour each way, reading Racine and Moliere while hanging from a subway strap. She recalls having no qualms about going home at midnight, but did have a problem when Franklin D. Roosevelt closed the banks and it became necessary to stockpile nickels for the subway trips. As a student of psychology and sociology, **Paula Kassell '39** cast a trained eye on the commuter scene of her day. She traveled from Yonkers on the Broadway-7th Avenue IRT, on which the second car from the end was the "Columbia-Barnard car." There was a strong sense of camaraderie among the students in that car, but before exams it was so quiet you could almost hear a pin drop.

When I commuted from the Bronx in the late '50s, the next-to-last car of the Broadway-7th Avenue line was still the Columbia-Barnard car. We did some homework and flirted and gossiped and perfected the art of doing the *New York Times* crossword puzzle standing up.

Like many other commuters, my travels to Barnard began on the wrong train. I was fifteen, and a feisty kid besides, ready to take on the world. My family had recently moved to a new neighborhood so I was not completely familiar with the Broadway-7th Avenue line. On the first day, following my father's instructions exactly, I found myself whisked down to 59th Street by a train which had declared itself to be a super-express. Undaunted, I crossed to the uptown platform, took a local train to 116th

Street, and—well, you know the rest. When I emerged, onto Lenox Avenue, I was amazed to find that Barnard, and in fact all of Columbia University, had disappeared!

Like Dorothy in Oz I looked for a yellow brick road, but in my story there is none. A kindly policeman came by, put me in a taxi with three other Little Lost Girls, and instructed the driver to take us to Barnard. Later that day, when Mrs. McIntosh addressed the "women of Barnard College" at the opening convocation, I assumed that she was referring to the dorm students and the sophisticated New York types. I had met a few of them—like the student who had to go to Barnard because she was in five-times-a-week psychoanalysis, or the one who danced with the Ballet Russe. Mrs. McIntosh certainly wasn't speaking to the giggly bunch who couldn't find their way to school!

Another variation on the commuting routine was brought about by labor disputes. During the first subway strike a few hardy souls walked with me one day from 238th Street to the College. More commonly we trudged to the nearest bus.

At least one student found her subway journeys uncomfortable and, at times, frightening. For **Mauricette Hall '59**, the subway cars were crowded and there was a sense of potential violence and danger. Commuting, she says, was certainly not fun.

In the '60s public transportation became even less congenial, and some students found the College's commuting limits unrealistic. **Deanna Colle Maneker '60**, a transfer from Boston University, came from a small town north of the City judged to be within commuting range. The mileage may have been right, she notes, but trains were infrequent and connections were difficult. She felt further confounded by College regulations that would not permit her to rent a room from friends of her family in Manhattan. The only alternative to a difficult trip was to be married, so she and her fiancé moved up their wedding date.

**Rochelle Rame Friedman '63**, on the other hand, chose the "illegal" way out of a tedious commute. She rented a room on the west side, where both the landlady and the apartment were small, old, and eccentric.

**Barbara Weinberg '62** recalls that her hour-long trip to Brooklyn was manageable, although her father felt it necessary to meet her at the subway station to escort her home "through a perfectly quiet residential neighborhood." In more recent years, the deterioration of the transit system had severe impact on students traveling to the suburbs and the "outer boroughs." As a freshman, **Adriana Burgi '83** traveled from Forest Hills via three subways. It was a 55-minute trip at best—and things were seldom at their best. "I could tell perhaps 100 stories about my adventures on the subway that year," she says,

"plus the car-pooling escapades when the mass transit strike took place." One year was enough, however, and for the next three years she drove to school.

### The Commuter on Campus

It seems obvious that it must always have been difficult for commuting students to experience the full gamut of college activities, but—as in every other aspect of Barnard life—there is no "typical" pattern. Some students, especially in the early days, were expected to go straight home after their last class. Filomena Ricciardi writes that "all of my contacts with fellow students were in classrooms and in gym classes. I really enjoyed the fellowship at the Greek Games."

For over sixty years, in fact, Greek Games was a major factor in the cohesiveness of the Barnard community. When the tradition ended in 1968, the College lost an important opportunity for communication, cooperation, and fellowship between dorm and day students.

**Alice B. Niederer** '31 recalls that most of her friends were commuters and the camaraderie amongst this group was wonderful even though most of them left the campus by 4 p.m. every day. She also recalls, with relish, staying late at Barnard for special occasions, like the Athletic Association dinner at which Amelia Earhart spoke, or the College tea at which Eleanor Roosevelt campaigned for Al Smith.

**Adele Epstein Stein** '26 reports quite a different type of commuter experience. She had attended the Ethical Culture School and she and her friends were accustomed to traveling around the city by public transportation. It simply never occurred to her family that cultural life existed outside of New York and she applied only to Barnard. From her home on the west side she often walked to school, spending long days and evenings at the College. She recalls late nights at the library, afternoon swimming, and odd hours playing bridge in the Barnard Hall "Smoking Room." She worked on the *Barnard Bulletin* and felt very much a part of college life. Only in retrospect did she regret not having extended herself more, not inviting dormitory girls to her home, not sharing her intimate knowledge of the city with them. She felt that she missed out on an opportunity to get to know people from other parts of the country. "I was dumb, provincial," she says. Her world did expand during her sophomore year, however, when she worked with a group of little girls at the Christie Street Settlement House, and during subsequent summers she held a job at the Camp for Underprivileged Children in Bear Mountain State Park. "I discovered poor New York," said Adele, and she never forgot it.

**Carol Diamond Gass** '36, who walked to Barnard from her family's apartment on Riverside Drive and 100th Street, did not even think of herself

An important aspect of being "collegiate" in the conformist fifties was the undergraduate "uniform" of flannel blazer, Bermuda shorts, and knee socks, to be worn in any weather. After considerable debate, the administration had decided that students could wear Bermudas on campus but not outside the "Green Gate," the passageway to Broadway and the world. For commuters this meant the additional uniform item of a long raincoat, regardless of the weather, to cover the shorts. The experience of **Sheila Schwarzstein Olansky** '59 was typical: when she was fortunate enough to get a seat on the subway she would get strange stares if her raincoat fell open, revealing a pair of naked knees, unless she remembered to sit down very carefully.

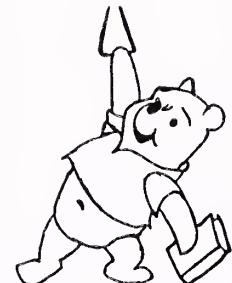
as a commuter. She worked on the *Barnard Bulletin* and often got home at 10 or 11 P.M., even midnight. She had chosen Barnard to be near a young man in New York, and because of her attachment to her family, and found she enjoyed the continuity with her high school years, the maintenance of old friendships.

One alumna who "certainly never felt 'left out'" is **Elise Balsam**. "I became secretary of the freshman class and was active in extracurricular activities for all four years: class and College offices, Greek Games (I was a 'horse'), Athletic Association, head of Press Board. Somehow I met many dorm students (through classes, I suppose) and made some lifelong friends. They enjoyed coming out to Scarsdale for weekends, and I stayed in the dorms on various occasions. I had a dorm transfer 'sister' from Connecticut College; she's lived in Manhattan to this day and is my daughter's godmother."

"One winter we had a severe blizzard and I stayed for three days in a classmate's brownstone on 114th Street!"

The experience of **Anne Atheling** '51 was similar. As president of Wigs and Cues, she routinely stayed late at school, sometimes getting home to Yonkers at 2 or 3 a.m. if rehearsals ran late. She wouldn't have had it any other way, however; a taste of dormitory life during her junior year, when she studied in France, was enough to convince her that she was "not a dorm person. The rules and regulations were too confining."

When **Joy Felsher Perla** '62 was editing the *Barnard Bulletin*, she rarely went home to Long Island before evening, and often stayed until 11 p.m. or so. In her experience, the trains ran on time and allowed for uninterrupted reading. Furthermore, since there were far more commuters than dorm students, she never felt left out of campus life. "The



only thing we missed," she recalls, was "really getting to know women from outside the New York area." Similarly, **Carol Crystle '62** "didn't mind being a commuter," despite a two-hour trip each way, and considered the dorm residents an "exotic minority" of whom she met only a few.

### Making Ends Meet

Part-time jobs became a necessity for many students for the first time in the '30s. Elise Balsam envied a friend her "plum" job of part-time postmistress "on Jake," but understood that it could only be awarded to a dorm student. "The rest of us had to be content with department store jobs on Thursday nights and Saturdays. We were called 'Saturdays Onlies.' I worked at B. Altman first, where 'Saturdays Onlies' reported to the personnel office and waited until the director decided if the weather was good enough to bring out a lot of shoppers. If not—back you went to Scarsdale or wherever. So I was thankful for an opening at Gimbels. The pay was \$2.75 a day but a good hot lunch in the employee cafeteria cost only 15 cents, and the subway was 5 cents. (And I found my first job after graduation in Gimbels' Credit Dept.)"

Like most of her friends, Elizabeth Janeway felt that the opportunity to go to college was not to be taken for granted. Her father, a naval architect, had little income during the depression and she was one of the first students to receive a federal relief grant. Even though she was paid \$20 a month to be a research assistant to a history professor, she still had to drop out to work for a year. When she returned to college, she became involved with a group of students she describes as the "Last of the First Feminist Wave." "We were like the students of the '60s," she says, socially aware and wanting change. Among their causes was the shabby treatment Columbia University had given Ruth Benedict and Margaret Mead.

**Helen Gonski Loch '40** came from a Polish working class family in New Britain, Connecticut. She graduated from high school right in the midst of the depression and worked for a year to earn enough for her first year of college tuition. She had been accepted at Barnard, but the administration did not approve of her intended living arrangements: she planned to earn her room and board by working as a mother's helper for a family in New York City. The rule was that a student not living on campus had to live with her own relatives or a spouse (lawful wedlock only). So Helen enrolled at Washington Square College (N.Y.U.). When her job ended, she advertised in *The New York Times* for another "room and board" position in Manhattan and her next employer was **Merle Schuster Proctor '19**. While not exactly blood-relatives, this new family was acceptable to the administration and Helen

was accepted as a transfer student in the middle of her sophomore year.

### The War Years

The diversity that had become characteristic of Barnard was enhanced during World War II, when an increase in applications made it easy to choose exceptionally able freshman classes and geographical representation widened. In 1944 the College admitted fifty more freshmen and forty more transfers than usual, and, since fewer students than expected left for jobs, marriage, or war migration, the total registration increased by ten per cent. Also contrary to expectations, more girls than usual came from a distance. In 1944, a year when traveling was at its worst, Barnard had students from forty-two states and twenty-one foreign countries.

As recorded by Marian White, "instead of reducing the number of students from abroad, as might have been expected, the war produced a deluge of them. Many were girls who had fled from occupied territory barely in time: they had few clothes, little money, and certainly no careful transcripts of their school records...The College was able to be of financial help in some cases, and many a young scholar began on Morningside Heights to put back together the pieces of her shattered life."

One commuter from this period who thought she had "the best of both worlds" is **Marion Gluck Rothman '47**. "My family life was at 375 Riverside Drive (110th Street), so I had my mother's cooking and household help, and freedom (dorm curfews were strict in those days), but I was so close to Barnard it was almost [like] being a resident.

"Another big plus was the fact that Columbia was crawling with men—1000 midshipmen in and out every three months, not even to mention the V-12 trainees and the civilians too young or infirm to be drafted (we tried never to be seen with one of those)..."

### The Commuter in the Postwar Era

The postwar years brought inflation and tuition increases, so that when Millicent McIntosh became president of the College in 1947, she inherited a number of financial problems. Nonetheless, she was sensitive to the needs of the day students, who now outnumbered residents 2-to-1, and was disturbed by the fact that they had no place on campus to call their own. In 1949 a two-story annex was built on the northern end of Barnard Hall, providing an attractive lounge large enough to accommodate a few bridge tables as well as couches and easy chairs and also a popular snack bar. Upstairs was space for offices for student organizations.

**Barbara Fischer Moses '51** had been in the United States only one year when she entered Barnard. She was born in Germany to a Jewish family who managed to get to the Philippines when she was

eleven years old. With the help of a family friend she was admitted to the Dalton School as a senior despite the gaps in her education, and the principal there suggested that she apply to Barnard. Her father, a physician, was working nights in a hospital while studying for his state boards, so she started college with "\$500 in the bank and \$150 in scholarships." Her Barnard friends were mostly American-born, and although she describes herself as "shy" and "emotionally backward," not ready for dating or other trappings of American adolescence, she felt "accepted, at home" at Barnard. She felt that she could participate in campus life as much as she chose, and "Barnard Camp on weekends," she recalled, "was bliss!"

This was the era of the infamous "panty raids," one of the few campus experiences limited to dorm students. This was not a problem for most of the commuters but for **Anne Bernays '52** it created a grievance. As campus correspondent for the *New York Times*, she was in friendly competition with Max Frankel, then editor of the *Columbia Spectator* (now executive editor of the *Times*). When the last major panty raid occurred in the spring of 1952, Max claimed the story and Anne was furious: "It happened at Barnard," she says. "It was *my* story!" But Max lived on campus; he was *there*.

In every other respect, Anne was glad to live at home. She had attended Wellesley for two years but missed city life, and her parents allowed her as much freedom as she wanted. She varied her mode of transportation every few days (subway/bus/foot) in an effort to determine the best way to go back and forth, but finally decided that it was quickest to ride with a classmate who had a car.

**Dorothy Cohn Feldman '54** also preferred to live at home, which was at 72nd Street and Amsterdam Avenue. She had stayed in the dorms during Freshman Orientation and found that she could not stand the noise, the small, spartan rooms, the crowded bathrooms, the necessity of checking in and out. She rarely stayed very late at school but did not feel that her participation in extracurricular activities was limited: "I was the costume designer for

By the late '50s it was no longer enough for ambitious parents simply to send their daughters to college. The "norm" was now *away to college*. I am sure that the permissiveness of parents of Barnard commuters during this period stemmed at least in part from guilt over not meeting this cultural norm. Not only could we come and go as we pleased; we rarely had any household responsibilities. "She's studying," my mother would say in hushed tones, indicating that no one in the house could address me directly or create any unnecessary disturbances.



A typical scene in the Annex, the commuter lounge of the '50s

Greek Games," she says, "and I loved it."

Another view comes from **Louise Cohen Silverman '55**. She commuted from the Bronx (taking three subway trains) and felt at a great disadvantage when she had to stay late in the library to use a Reserve Book. Whenever possible, she worked at home. It was not until she married and her husband went to Harvard Law School that she felt she had a "real" campus experience.

Resistance to curfews and other restrictions of dormitory life continued to grow through the '50s. For **Kelcey Liss Klass '58**, the freedoms she enjoyed as a day student made her hour-long commute from Queens worthwhile. She has fond memories of the Annex, where she met her husband when he wandered over from the Columbia graduate school for a Friday night "social." (Other commuter "hang-outs" were Chock Full O' Nuts, and for the more adventurous, the West End Bar and Grill.)

Increasingly during the '50s, many day students were married and many more—day and dorm alike—were engaged or "pinned." Some of the married students were pregnant, and a few returned to classes as new mothers. I still remember the senior who began going into labor during the last part of her final exam. She finished the test, timing her contractions as she wrote, went to the hospital, and appeared on Commencement Day with her newborn.

In the last years before the opening of Centennial Hall, students outdid themselves in seeking creative alternatives to lengthy commutes. **Hester Kaplan '81** spent one year in a non-Barnard apartment and one year as a tenant on the top floor of her boyfriend's apartment house. What these arrangements lacked in elegance, she believes, was more than made up for by the autonomy it provided her and her chosen roommates.

There is no question that life at Barnard is richer and more satisfying for the students of today. Their shared experience includes not just the essence of academic life and exposure to a great city but also the advantages of a fully residential college.

# Annual Report of the President of the Associate Alumnae of Barnard College

by Mary Louise Stewart Reid '46

The 1989-90 year has been one of new beginnings for Barnard and for the Associate Alumnae. As we move into our second century, our focus is on the future and on new directions to serve the rapidly expanding alumnae body and the College in the years ahead.

## Regional Programs

The final months of Barnard's Centennial were marked by a series of exciting events around the country offering alumnae of all ages the opportunity to renew their ties to the College and one another in festive settings. From the dinner at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., to the academic symposium at the Sonoma Mission Inn near San Francisco; from the reception at the Bistro Garden in Beverly Hills to the gallery tour and reception of the exhibition, "Making Their Mark: Women Artists Move into the Mainstream, 1970-85" at the Pennsylvania Gallery of Fine Arts in Philadelphia, to the dinner at the Faculty Club at the University of Toronto, Barnard's birthday provided an occasion for celebrating the past while looking to the future. The focus was on the evolving and expanding role of alumnae everywhere. Those who worked to make these events so memorable deserve a special word of thanks from all of us.

In New York, in addition to a number of campus events showcasing the College, many alumnae participated in a Centennial reception at Gracie Mansion. Of particular interest was a special exhibition at the Salander-O'Reilly Galleries, *Barnard Collects: The Educated Eye*, late 19th and 20th century American and European works of art from the collections of Barnard alumnae and families, faculty and trustees.

One consequence of the months of Centennial celebrations has been a marked quickening in the pace of alumnae regional organizations and networking, with the possibilities as varied as the

diverse pursuits and concerns of Barnard women. A record number of club newsletters and invitations to events and programs were sent to alumnae throughout the country and abroad. Of special interest is the "Career Networking Directory" organized and published by the Barnard Alumnae of the Delaware Valley (formerly the Barnard College Club of Philadelphia). They embarked on this project because they believed that a directory would bring alumnae in the region together in a way more permanent than any social event and would serve as an extremely useful tool for interaction. The Delaware Valley group has offered a package proposal that would make it possible for any group to publish a similar directory.

## AABC Board Reorganization

Several important bylaws amendments were adopted this year. The most important of these added two elected vice presidents, serving concurrently with the president, who will share the duties of the president and assist her in the work of the AABC. In an effort to formalize recent efforts to broaden the base of representation on the AABC Board, the bylaws now specify that two

of the directors at large be selected from alumnae who live outside the New York metropolitan region. The third important change is the creation of a Young Alumnae Committee with an elected Young Alumnae Chair as a member of the Board.

## Highlights of the Year

The AABC has continued its traditional work with Barnard's alumnae and the College with a variety of programs:

- **Alumnae Council '89**, in spite of gusty winds and hurricane warnings, brought together 31 Barnard Area Representatives and 129 class officers and representatives for two stimulating, information-filled days. Intensive work sessions were designed to address specific roles in student recruitment, fundraising, reunion planning, and class organization.
- A Career conference on **Enterprising Women: Being Your Own Boss** drew 155 alumnae and friends to discuss aspects of entrepreneurship and establish new contacts within the Barnard network.
- **Alumnae Reunion '90** attracted over 800 alumnae to the campus for a two-day program. Of special interest were two panel discussions, featuring alumnae and members of the Barnard faculty, on "The Dawn of A Changing World: A look at the sweeping changes in Eastern Europe."
- A record number of alumnae classes held mini-reunions and meetings and sent letters to classmates to plan coming reunions and reunion year celebrations.
- Through undergraduate programs such as the annual Senior Dinner, which this year attracted 300 students, the AABC is working to develop connections with the student body. We especially thank all the students who worked with us this year to strengthen student/alumnae bonds.
- Twelve regional receptions were held for students who were accepted as



A recipient of the 1990 Columbia Alumni Federation Medal for Conspicuous Alumni Service was Marion Patterson Ames '37, vice chair of the Barnard Board of Trustees and former Director at Large of the Associate Alumnae.



Alumnae Director at Large; and committee chairs Sheila C. Gordon '63, Alumnae Committee for Annual Giving; Gayle F. Robinson '75, Finance Committee; and Eileen Weiss '57, Nominating Committee.

And congratulations to newly elected board members Sheila C. Gordon '63, President and Alumnae Trustee; Anne Bernays '52, Director at Large, and committee chairs Elaine Schlozman Chapnick '61, Alumnae Committee for Annual Giving; Camille Kiely Kelleher '70, Finance Committee; Marilyn Wachtel, Nominating Committee; Christine Giordano '89, Young Alumnae Committee. New members of the Nominating Committee are Marisa Macina Hagan '51, Dolores Johnson Henderson '57, and Eileen McCorry '70.

Warmest thanks go to all the members of the Board of Directors for their many hours of work and outstanding achievements during this past year.

#### On a personal note...

When you asked me to be your President three years ago, I was honored—but reluctant. Reluctant because, living and working outside New York City and with competing demands on my time, I was unsure whether I could fulfill the obligations of the position. But, realizing that my situation was virtually the same as every Barnard volunteer today, I accepted your invitation. Now, at the end of my term, I wish to thank you for giving me a unique opportunity.

Barnard graduates, as you well know, are a remarkable group of women and, whatever their profession, age or interests, have much in common. Serving with them—and especially with the AABC Board—as Barnard rounded the first century, has been exhilarating, rewarding and a great deal of fun!

I regret not having been free to travel and meet with groups of you around the country, but urge you, wherever you are, to find time to get in touch with other Barnard alumnae and to give a few hours to the work of the association. At this moment in the history of women in the United States, most of us find that we can gain strength by joining together to help each other in our careers and by sharing life's experiences. Moreover, you can make a difference not only to your fellow alumnae, but also to the Barnard students of today and the graduates of tomorrow.

**President Michael Sovern presented an honorary Doctor of Laws degree to Helene Finkelstein Kaplan '53, chairman of Barnard's Board of Trustees, at the Columbia University commencement on May 16. The citation for the degree described her as a "lawyer in the service of society, leader of a great and enduring college for women,...a magnificent role model...for all young people who seek to build a life and career devoted to others."**

members of Barnard's Class of 1994. Members of the Admissions staff traveled across the country to attend these receptions and to meet and talk with prospective students, parents, and alumnae.

- The 1990 AABC Fellowships for Graduate Study were awarded to three women who will pursue graduate studies in English literature, medicine, and dance/movement therapy.
- Two Gildersleeve Lectures, one featuring Anita Desai, who spoke on "Women and Indian Literature," and the other featuring Marta Moreno Vega, who spoke on "The African Diaspora," were arranged by the members of the faculty. We thank them and all the members of the faculty who responded so generously to our requests for speakers at alumnae events.
- A twelve-day "Symposium on the Nile" attracted 30 alumnae and friends to Egypt, the destination of our continuing education travel program this year.

#### Fundraising Activity

The interest and support of loyal alumnae is and will continue to be in large measure the key to Barnard's fiscal strength. The College raised more

money this year than in any prior year—over \$6.8 million—with class giving in support of the Annual Fund almost \$1.9 million. While this amount brought us close to our dollar goal, participation was only 29%, still far from where we would like to be.

It is important to note that an expanding President's Circle, chaired by Lois Beekman '66, now numbers over 500 donors who have supported Barnard with gifts of \$1,000 or more.

The Thrift Shop continues to make an important contribution to the College. A new marketing approach which shows great promise for the future has been developed and implemented by Nanette Hodgman Hayes '40, Chair, and Stephanie Litwack Block '79. We salute them and all the loyal and devoted Thrift Shop volunteers.

In addition, the regional clubs, as always, have made generous contributions to the College's scholarship funds.

#### The Board of Directors of the Associate Alumnae

Particular thanks and recognition are due to the members of the Board whose terms of office were completed this year: Olga M. Bendix '33, alumnae trustee; Sherry Suttles Marsh '69, Director at Large; Avis Hinkson '84, Young



A "Special Award for Extraordinary Service" was presented at the Annual AABC Luncheon to Irma Socci Moore '50, Director of Alumnae Affairs, "in recognition of her outstanding leadership and unique record of achievement" since assuming that post in 1978.



Past presidents of the Associate Alumnae at the Annual Luncheon spanned more than half of the College's first century: (back row, l. to r.) Mary Louise Stewart Reid '46 (1987-90), Renee Becker Swartz '55 (1981-84), Elise Alberts Pustilnik '53 (1984-87), Ruth Saberski Goldenheim '35 (1969-72), Madeleine Hooke Rice '25 (1934-36); (front, l. to r.) Maureen McCann Miletta '50 (1980-81), Caroline Duncombe Pelz '40 (1963-66), Sheila C. Gordon '63 (1990-), Mary Maloney Sargent '40 (1966-69), Blanche Kazon Graubard '36 (1972-75).

## Alumnae Offices to be Filled

The Nominating Committee of the Associate Alumnae will meet during the summer and early autumn to prepare a slate of candidates for presentation to all alumnae in spring 1991. Positions to be filled are:

**Alumnae Trustee**—four-year term (represents alumnae on Board of Trustees and serves on the board of the Associate Alumnae)

**Director at Large**—three-year term (must be from outside the NY metropolitan region)

**Committee Chairs**—three-year terms: Council Committee, Regional Networks Committee, Careers Committee, Communications Committee, Student Affairs Committee

**Nominating Committee**—three new members to be elected from six candidates, to serve three year terms (must be from different class years)

If you have suggestions for alumnae to fill these offices, please send them to the Office of Alumnae Affairs, Barnard College, 3009 Broadway, NY 10027, Attention: Nominating Committee.

The theme of two panel discussions at Alumnae Reunion 1990, "The Dawn of a Changing World: A look at the sweeping changes in eastern Europe," was suggested by the Reunion Committee and its chair, Andrea Katz Stimmel '76, in early autumn 1989. At that time, the appropriate focal points seemed to be such issues as: is the Iron Curtain rising? Can there be reform in Germany without reunification? Is communism being restructured?—but it was also noted that these are "subject to events and happenings between now and May 1990."

It is probably fair to say that even the most prescient members of the Reunion Committee did not anticipate the "events and happenings" that would inform the discussion in May, but their proposed outlines proved adaptable to the new geopolitical realities. The result was a pair of panel discussions in which issues of interest and importance were examined—at length, not in sound bites—by thoughtful, engaging speakers who also happened to be members of the Barnard family.



AABC Fellows for 1990-91 Eri Tanaka and Audrey Becker, with Maureen Miletta, Fellowship Committee Chair. Not shown is Laura Lee '90.

The Fellowship Committee of the AABC received applications from 24 alumnae this year and awarded a total of \$8000 in fellowships to three outstanding young women. The funds represent the annual income on the AABC fellowship fund, supplemented by voluntary contributions from participants in the Alumnae Travel Program. The 1990 fellows are:

**Audrey Becker '89**, a native of Illinois, who graduated *cum laude*, with departmental honors in English. She was the recipient of the Stains-Berle Memorial Prize in Anglo-Saxon in 1988 and 1989, and her senior thesis, "New Lyrics by Women: A Feminist Alternative," was accepted for publication in the *Journal of Popular Culture*. She will be attending the University of Michigan, where she was awarded a Colby Fellowship for graduate study in English Literature.

**Laura Lee '90**, a native of Kentucky, graduated *summa cum laude*, with honors in psychology, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in her junior year. Laura also received the Korean-American Scholarship and the Gertrude Bunger Zufall Award for Pre-medical Studies. She will be a student at Harvard Medical School.

**Eri Tanaka '86**, a *magna cum laude* graduate with a double major in psychology and Program in the Arts (Dance). Eri has lived in Japan off and on since 1969 and is fluent in Japanese. A student in the master's program in dance/movement therapy at NYU, she plans to teach dance/movement therapy in both the U.S. and Japan and envisions "building an alliance among mental health professionals in the two countries" that will benefit both patients and therapists.

# Distinguished Alumna Award 1990

*presented by the Associate Alumnae of Barnard College to  
Louise Rosenblatt '25*

At a moment of surging interest in literary criticism and, most particularly, what are called "reader reception" theories of literature, Louise Rosenblatt stands out among the foremost writers and scholars in the field. More than fifty years ago, her book called *Literature as Exploration* appeared; and, with it, the seeds were planted for a transactional theory of reading that has transformed the field. When the National Council of Teachers of English publicly celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its publication, leaders in the profession came from around the country to pay tribute to its influence on the research tradition and on the teaching of literature.

A great number of transformative articles and addresses have studded the half century since that first text; and her enormously significant and widely used book on the aesthetics of literature, *The Reader, the Text, and the Poem* (1978) keeps her extraordinary "transactional theory" central to contemporary discourse about literature as art. Perhaps more than any one now writing, she has integrated the formal and the humanistic, the aesthetic and the efferent, and opened the way for a new meaningfulness of literary texts in all sorts of young persons' lives.

Dr. Rosenblatt received her doctorate at the Sorbonne with a remarkable dissertation on "*l'art pour l'art*," went on to teach at Columbia and then to make a memorable career at New York University, where she is Professor Emeritus of English Education. She received the Great Teacher Award there in 1972 and the Distinguished Service Award from the National Committee of Teachers of English the next year. She has served on numerous commissions and, during World War II, was Associate Chief of the Western European Section and Chief of the Central Report Section of the Bureau of Overseas Intelligence. She has published much, still lectures throughout the country, is widely remembered as a stirring and committed teacher.

Not incidentally, she has been a consistent and articulate spokesperson for the progressive and

humanist ideal through the days when it has been seriously challenged. She remains, not only one of our most brilliant literary scholars and theorists, but one of our most eloquent fighters for democracy.

Louise Rosenblatt has enjoyed a long and sustaining marriage with scholar Dr. Sidney Ratner, also a significant contemporary thinker. They have a son, Dr. Jonathan Ratner. All three represent the best in the American academic tradition. All who have known Louise Rosenblatt, taught with her, studied with her, have found her to be unforgettable—an unquenchable light in their lives.



Louise Rosenblatt focused on the excitement of emerging democracies, and the challenges they face, in her acceptance remarks. The citation for her award was written by Maxine Meyer Greene '38, who was herself recognized by the AABC as its Woman of Achievement in 1988.

# Woman of Achievement 1990

## Mary Gordon '71

Mary Gordon, Barnard graduate, author, professor, mother, wife, friend and role model. The Associate Alumnae is proud to honor you as the Barnard Woman of Achievement for 1990.

You once explained that your professional goals were derived from something Virginia Woolf said...“*That's what every woman who cares about writing has to do, just keep trying to tell the truth, to create something of beauty.*” In our eyes you have more than met that goal. In your novels, short stories and essays you explore the dilemmas we all explore in pursuing ordinary happiness, and in confronting the nature of love, its possibilities and limitations. Not only are your themes powerful, but your prose is so rich in texture that your reader cannot help but be drawn into the complex lives of your characters.

Anne Foster, your character from *Men and Angels* who wants both a career and a family, echoes the predicament of so many of us today: “*Why had she imagined that nothing would be risked and nothing lost in the arrangement? It is what her generation always did, expected everything and was always shocked, like children, when something bad to be given up.*”

To your sister alumnae, it appears that despite the risks you have taken to accomplish so much, the results are exemplary. You wrote your first novel, *Final Payments*, a critically acclaimed best-seller, while you were still in your twenties. During the next few years, you wrote three novels, gave birth to two children and continued to teach—truly an enviable balancing act. Each novel is more impressive than the last, reflecting your growth as a writer and a person.

We fervently hope, Mary Gordon, that you never stop taking risks so that your work will continue to illuminate our lives. The Associate Alumnae of Barnard College salutes you as a daughter of Barnard and with affection and enormous admiration honors you as the 1990 Barnard Woman of Achievement.



Mary Gordon delighted the guests at the Woman of Achievement Award Luncheon with comments about her writing and readings from some not-yet-published work. In the coming years, Barnard students will have increased opportunities to benefit from her skills as writer and teacher in her new role as Millicent Carey McIntosh Professor of Writing in the English Department.

# Their Families/Our Family

The past three years have offered three different versions of the Barnard degree ceremony: in the rain under umbrellas and white ponchos; inside Columbia's Levien gymnasium, to avoid a driving rain outside; and on Lehman Lawn in glorious sunshine. Sunshine is definitely best. The Class of 1990, the first of Barnard's second century, shared a glorious afternoon with their friends and families, including many whose enjoyment of the event was enhanced by memories of their own participation in a similar rite of passage in a prior year.

In addition to the two grandmothers and the many mothers and sisters of graduates pictured here, the alumnae body now includes the following family connections:

**Granddaughters** Erika Updike/Edith Kirk Updike '24 (deceased); Margaret Feerick/Edith Guldi Platt '33 (deceased); Christiana Killian/Emma Connolly Legato '54.

**Daughters:** Lisa Feldman/Diane Drosien Feldman '64, Margaret Liberman/Anya Kaptzan Luchow-Liberman '69, Lisa Wang/Ying Yao Wang '57.

**Sisters:** Anne Ellis/Amy '84, Stephanie Clapes/Mary Lisa '88, Daranee Clapp/Marisa Jean '88, Elizabeth Coch/Liora '84, Brett Confrey/Regan Lynn '88, Athena Devlin/Rachel '88, Marci Fishman/Dodi Lynn '88, Jennifer Heller/Melissa '87, Sarah Hill/Kathleen '85, Vanessa Hirschowitz/Kaaren '83, Emily Klebanoff/Elisabeth '84, Laura Won Kyung Lee/Elizabeth '87, Kellie M. Newman/Tanya '89, Sharon Pressner/Leslie '85, Jodi Pulver/Shara '87, Sarah Rahman/Zeba '88, Vali Rajah/Shanti '86, Cara Testa/Anna '83, Deborah Weiss/Hali Weiss Goldblum '84, Susie Wu/Sophia '86. In addition, Rachel Zalis was the fourth member of her family to pass through Barnard's gates, following sisters Lynn '82, Shelley '83, and Charene '85.



Claudia Odyniec and grandmother,  
Filippa Vultaggio Scafuro '30



Rachel Brodie Morris '43 and granddaughter Erika Lang



Diane Leinwand Zeller '62 and Susan



Wendy and Margaret DeVecchi Gabriel '51



Elizabeth and Sonya Livshin Gordon '53



Susanne Andover Keany '61 and Courtney



Hillary and Diana Sinatra Porges '81



Ellen Feinberg Friedman '64 and Jamie



Audrey Gold Margolies '59 and Sharon



Rachel and Joann Stern Kobin '57



Leah Seltzer Tarlow '66, Elisha, and Rachel '93



Carol Murray Lane '60 and Susan (Susan's grandmother was Alice Lay Lane '30, deceased)



Kristy and Melody Bird '85



Lisa and Debbie Rotmil '86



Nina Browne and Flavia Alaya '56 (missing: Ann Alaia Woods '62, aunt)



Marcie Strasser '84 and Tracey



Noromalala Rabetafika '84 and Prisca



Damaris Walsh McGuire '70 and Caitlin (not shown are Demi's sisters, Madeline Walsh Hamblin '64, Sarah Walsh Parente '66, and Alison Walsh '71)



Giselle Samuely '87 and Florys



Tamar Krongrad '85 and Rachel



Rachel Smilowitz Teitz and Gloria Smilowitz Mosenkis '87



L'Tanya Keith '77 and Leah



Maria Ilem Cardona '89 and Maria Ivette



Esther Gelber '86 and Miriam



Shelagh Lafferty '88 and Shannon

# Ex LIBRIS

**Anita Smith Appel '23**, *East Quogue Remembered*, East Quogue Civic Association, 1990.

This pamphlet honoring the 350th anniversary of the founding of the Town of Southampton is packed with history and points of interest about East Quogue.

**Kathleen Biddick '71**, *The Other Economy: Pastoral Husbandry on a Medieval Estate*, University of California Press, 1989, \$30.

Although the importance of livestock farming in Europe's agrarian history is widely acknowledged, little research has been done on the subject. Biddick bases her study on the economic activities of Peterborough Abbey, in the East Midlands of England, around 1100 and in the early 14th century. The book is dedicated to the author's "first mentors, Suzanne Wemple and Maristella Lorch, and to the community of women at Barnard College (1967-1971)."

**Mary Eleanor Brown '31**, *Therapeutic Recreation and Exercise: Range of Motion Activities for Health and Well-being*, SLACK, 1990.

This therapy book is a practical series of simple, enjoyable workouts for "limbering and stretching for lifelong agility, mobility and flexibility."

**Sharon Marie Carnicke '71**, *The Theatrical Instinct: Nikolai Evreinov and the Russian Theatre of the Early Twentieth Century*, Peter Lang, 1989, \$45.50.

An influential figure in Russian *avant-garde* theatre in the '20s, Evreinov was a playwright, producer and theorist who anticipated many innovative developments of 20th century theatre. "A self-proclaimed crusader for theatricality, Nikolai Evreinov battled against realism in Russia during the first two decades of the 20th century," writes Carnicke.

**Janet Kotselas Clarke '76**, *Small Town*, Ballantine Books, 1989, \$3.95.

Tammy Elwell is a small town girl in upstate New York whose life expectations are challenged by the strangers who move into town as the result of a real-estate boom.

**Vicki Cobb '58**, *This Place is High, This Place is Wet, This Place is Dry and This Place is Cold*, Walker and Co., 1990, each book \$12.95.

Components of the "Imagine Living Here" series, these books explore a variety of locations whose environs pose special challenges to the people, plantlife and animals residing there. According to Cobb, "The overall message of the series is that problems are solved both by nature and by human ingenuity and that the cleverness of the solutions are truly worth marveling at." How do Indians in the Andes Mountains of Bolivia cope with levels of oxygen so thin that a newcomer to the region experiences oxygen starvation? What is it like to live in the rain forest of Brazil or in Alaska?

**Roberta Cohen (Korn) '60**, "People's Republic of China: The Human Rights Exception," *Human Rights Quarterly*, The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1987; *Occasional Papers/Reprints Series in Contemporary Asian Studies*, Number 3-1988.

Cohen looks at why and how the people of China "remain largely exempt from the concerns of the international human rights community"

and why China's government "is rarely held accountable for its human rights transgressions." The author has a long record of involvement in international human rights, including appointment by President Carter to the post of Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights.

**Roberta Cohen (Korn) '60** and Laurie S. Wiseberg, *Double Jeopardy — Threat to Life and Human Rights: Discrimination against Persons with AIDS*, Human Rights Internet (Harvard Law School), 1990, \$3.

This "survey of AIDS as an international human rights issue and of international efforts to combat discrimination against persons with AIDS" includes sections on censorship, travel restrictions, and other controversial issues.

**Susan Daitch '77**, *The Colorist*, Vintage, 1990, \$8.95.

In this imaginative novel about young artists in the East Village of Manhattan, Julie colors in the frames of a comic book and her lover, Eamonn, is a photographer. Electra is the comic-book heroine who wanders off the pages and into the streets.

**Lynne (Scotto) Dumas '72** and Emily Koltnow, *Congratulations! You've Been Fired: Sound Advice For Women Who've Been Axed, Terminated, Pink-Slipped, Laid Off, Given Walking Papers, Excessed, Downsized Or Otherwise Unemployed*, Fawcett/Columbine, 1990.

This book contends that getting fired presents a wonderful opportunity for women to reassess their interests and priorities and redirect their energies to achieve the career they really want.

**Mona (Hoo) Eldridge '52**, *In Search of A Prince: My Life With Barbara Hutton*, Sidgwick & Jackson, 1990, £13.95.

The author was Barbara Hutton's social secretary for four years when the Woolworth heiress was in her forties. The London magazine *Time Out* says that this book is "a highly readable account of a wasted existence and, in passing, gives fascinating glimpses of the so-called high life."

**Jessica Elfenbein '84**, *Civics, Commerce, and Community: The History of the Washington Board of Trade, 1889-1989*, Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 1989.

This history helps the Greater Washington Board of Trade mark its 100th Anniversary. The Board exerted its greatest influence earlier in this century, before home rule, during the early stages of the district's urban development.

**Midge (Margery Rowen) Elias '58**, *Choosing Not Cheating: The Beverly Hills Eat For Pleasure, Slim For Life Plan*, Humanics Limited, 1990, \$12.95.

The author contends that healthy living is not incompatible with the enjoyment of fine dining. The *Los Angeles Times* calls the book "a light-hearted look at the role food can and should play in daily living, rather than something to be feared."

**Judith Gilbert '84**, *Times Square*, Verlag Ulrich Martzinek (Germany), 1989, 9.80 (DM).

Gilbert's first volume of poetry is set in New York City, where she was born and grew up. The poems, many of which are staunchly political, depict the bleakness of city life.

**Faye D. Ginsburg '75**, *Contested Lives: The Abortion Debate in an American Community*, University of California Press, 1989, \$25.00/\$10.95.

The struggle over an abortion clinic was the major event in Fargo,

North Dakota between 1981 and 1986. Ginsburg positions Fargo's dilemma within the broader context of abortion debates and moral reform movements over the past two centuries. Life stories of the women involved in grass roots organizing on both the pro-life and pro-choice sides of the issue are combined with a more formal anthropological analysis of the contemporary controversy over abortion.

**Francine du Plessix Gray '52**, *Soviet Women: Walking the Tightrope*, Doubleday, 1990, \$19.95.

Having been brought up by Russian women herself, the author honors her heritage in this remarkable volume, based on interviews with women of all ages throughout the Soviet Union—factory workers, scientists, artists, family counselors, doctors and more. Years of sacrifice at home and in the workplace have spawned unusually strong and domineering women who must contend with the resentment and anger they feel toward men in a society in which they are overworked and undervalued.

**Patricia Highsmith '42**, *Edith's Diary*, Atlantic Monthly Press, 1989, \$8.95.

This novel is a psychological character study of Edith Howland. Edith keeps a diary, but as her routine life begins to fall apart, her diary entries enter the realm of fantasy and fiction. *The London Times* notes that Highsmith "probes to the very core of her heroine with a controlled ferocity and single-mindedness."

**Zora Neale Hurston '28**, *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, *Tell My Horse*, *Mules and Men*, and *Jonah's Gourd Vine*, Perennial Library/Harper & Row, 1990, each book \$8.95.

A novelist, folklorist and anthropologist, Hurston infused her writing with a lively fascination and love of black culture. Growing recognition of her unique vision has led Harper & Row to re-issue four of her best works, each with an introduction by a noted black author and an afterword on Hurston's life and career. *Their Eyes Were Watching God* has become a standard text in feminist and black literature studies. *Jonah's Gourd Vine*, her first novel, is a work of fiction based in part on her own family. *Tell My Horse* recounts her experiences with voodoo in Haiti and Jamaica, and *Mules and Men* is a folkloric study of black oral history in Florida.

**Joyce (Glassman) Johnson '55**, *What Lisa Knew: The Truths and Lies of the Steinberg Case*, G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1990, \$22.95.

Johnson examines the complex issues surrounding the trial of Joel Steinberg and Hedda Nussbaum for the death of their adopted daughter Lisa. From the Steinberg's private life to the public's sympathy, from courtroom strategy to social responsibility, the author poses questions about the legal and moral implications of this highly publicized case of child abuse.

**Erica (Mann) Jong '63**, *Any Woman's Blues: A Novel of Obsession*, Harper & Row, 1990, \$18.95.

Jong's sixth novel tackles the themes of co-dependency, love addiction and obsession. Her heroine, Leila Sand, is a Jewish artist whose obsessive involvement with a younger man lands her in a spiritual and emotional void of sex, drink, drugs and a negative self-image. It is only through a great deal of soul searching, carrying her from New York's seamy East Village to Italy's enchanting Venice, that she is able to make her way back.

**Nancy Kline (Piore) '64**, translator, *The Tongue Snatchers* by Claudine Herrman, University of Nebraska Press: Lincoln & London, 1989, \$19.95.

Herrman's book offers close readings of texts from a feminist perspective and is considered a classic of feminist literary criticism. Kline notes that in Herrman's view language oppresses the woman who "lives in a colonized ('virile') culture and speaks a colonized ('virile') language, and even

these she must steal, for her education is specifically designed to deprive her of full access to both." In her translation, Kline has tried to communicate Hermann's "splendid stealth, the flights she makes in French across the page."

**Bettina (Liebowitz) Knapp '47**, *Machine, Metaphor, and the Writer: A Jungian View*, Penn State Press, 1989, \$27.50.

This interdisciplinary work examines the impact of the machine in the realm of literature and its Jungian implications. The Industrial Revolution brought machines into daily life and transformed the ways people thought about themselves and the world. Knapp analyzes a multi-cultural array of texts, focusing on authors (such as Joyce, Witkiewicz, Pirandello) whose images, plot and characters were affected by the mechanization around them.

**Janet Kotselas-Clarke '75**, *Nice Girls*, Ballantine, 1989, \$3.95.

Kotselas-Clarke's second novel is the story of three women from diverse backgrounds who become roommates. These "nice girls" struggle to escape their pasts and achieve their dreams in the heart of the Big Apple.

**Ellen M. Kozak '65**, *From Pen To Print: The Secrets of Getting Published Successfully*, Henry Holt & Co., 1990, \$19.95.

A practical guide for everything from the proper format for queries and submissions, agents, contracts, royalties, and copyright to galleys, proofreader's marks, working with a copy editor, libel, publicity, and taxes.

**Ellen M. Kozak '65**, *Every Writer's Guide to Copyright and Publishing Law*, Henry Holt & Co., 1990, \$7.95.

An accessible guide to the confusing fields of copyright and publishing law, this book covers everything writers need to know. What is a copyright and how does it differ from a patent or trademark? How do you determine the copyright in a letter or an illustration? Other issues covered include moral rights, illustrators' rights, and product liability (for how-to and diet-book authors).

**Jane Leavy '74**, *Squeeze Play*, Doubleday, 1990, \$18.95.

Leavy, a former sportswriter for the *Washington Post*, has drawn on her own experiences, and her love of baseball, in this funny, raunchy book about A.B. Berkowitz, a woman sportswriter assigned to the Washington Senators, a misfit baseball team owned by a televangelist.

**Jocelyn Linnekin '71** and Lin Poyer, editors, *Cultural Identity and Ethnicity in the Pacific*, University of Hawaii Press, 1990, \$35.00.

Linnekin co-edited and contributed to this collection of essays about "the ways in which Pacific Islanders make distinctions between themselves and others." These essays also address the larger issue of the nature of ethnicity and its application as a scholarly concept in the fields of anthropology and sociology.

**Helen E. Longino '66**, *Science As Social Knowledge: Values and Objectivity in Scientific Inquiry*, Princeton University Press, 1990, \$35/\$13.95.

Longino dissects the cultural myth of the objectivity of scientific inquiry. She examines the relationship between social value and scientific inquiry, elucidating the social and cultural framework within which scientific inquiry takes place. Longino argues that the notion of objective inquiry can only be maintained if such inquiry is viewed as a social construct.

**Judith Miller '69**, *One, By One, By One*, Simon and Schuster, 1990, \$21.95.

A *New York Times* editor and former foreign correspondent, Miller surveys the ways six countries—the U.S., Germany, France, Austria, the

Netherlands, and the Soviet Union—have shaped and currently transmit their memories of the Holocaust. “I have tried to explore the ways different people have tried to distort, justify, to erase memories of the Holocaust, and how some have tried to use them to rationalize the past,” she writes.

**Barbara Pavlock** '69, *Eros, Imitation, and the Epic Tradition*, Cornell University Press, 1990, \$29.95.

“This book,” says Pavlock, “relies on the basic assumption that both continuity and change are intrinsic to the vitality and the very existence of genre.” Comparative readings of two Homeric episodes as they appear in works by writers such as Vergil, Ovid, Catullus, Milton and others are the foundation for this study of the erotic in the epic tradition.

**Valerie Pinsky** '75 and Alison Wylie, editors, *Critical Traditions in Contemporary Archaeology: Essays in the Philosophy, History, and Socio-politics of Archaeology*, Cambridge University Press, 1989, £27.50.

This volume brings together recent research in the philosophy, history, and socio-politics of archaeology. Among the issues covered are the nature and status of archaeological evidence, the security it gives to claims about the cultural past, and whether there are inherent limitations to the scope and security of archaeological inquiry.

**Grace (Goodyear) Roosevelt** '65, *Reading Rousseau in the Nuclear Age*, Temple University Press, 1990, \$44.95.

This book analyzes two of Rousseau's lesser-known works: an unfinished essay entitled “The State of War” and a response to Abbé de Saint-Pierre's *Project for Perpetual Peace*. Roosevelt examines Rousseau's theory of international conflict and his suggestions for achieving and maintaining peace between nations. The book includes translations of its primary sources.

**Margery Arent Safir** '68, translator, *Archipelago* by Michael Rio, Pantheon Books, 1989, \$16.95.

Translated from the French, this novel is about the coming of age of a sixteen-year-old schoolboy in the Channel Islands. In the course of a week, he receives a crash course in many aspects of love.

**Cathleen Schine** '75, *To the Birdhouse*, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1990, \$17.95.

The heroine of *Alice in Bed* is now out of bed, married, and working as a photographer for *The Urban Bird*. Things seem to be going smoothly, until her mother dumps her boyfriend, Louis Scifo, and the entire family finds its ordinary middle-class existence disrupted by Louie's weird forms of persecution. They may not be amused by the situation, but the reader is.

**Lora Sharnoff (Tamura)** '69, *Grand Sumo: The Living Sport and Tradition*, Weatherill, \$35.

This comprehensive survey of the Sumo world covers everything from its historical origins in Japan's feudal past to the daily routine of the wrestlers. Sharnoff also profiles many of the more famous wrestlers, letting us in on the reasons they entered the sport, their lives in the sumo stables, and their involvements with sumo after retiring as wrestlers. The enigmatic world of sumo and its place in Japanese culture are explained with enthusiasm and clarity. The author publishes articles on sumo regularly in *Tokyo Weekender*.

**Carol (Marks) Sicherman** '58, *Ngugi Wa Thiong'o: A Bibliography of Primary and Secondary Sources, 1957-1987*, Hans Zell, 1989, £37.50.

This comprehensive work traces this important African writer's literary achievements from juvenilia to his latest novel, *Matigari*. Listed are Ngugi's novels, short stories and nonfiction, manuscripts and other unpublished materials, interviews, and nearly 1400 articles and books about him.

**Carol (Marks) Sicherman** '58, *Ngugi Wa Thiong'o: The Making of a Rebel*, Hans Zell, 1990, £55.

A wide range of sources are used to trace the evolution of Ngugi and depict the historical, political, and cultural background to his work.

**Hedi Siegel** '58, editor, *Schenker Studies*, Cambridge University Press, 1990, \$54.50.

The work of the important Viennese music theorist Heinrich Schenker is the focus of this collection of essays by 14 scholars—including one by the editor. They were first delivered at a symposium commemorating the 50th anniversary of Schenker's death in 1985. While the emphasis is on Schenkerian analysis of musical works, historical issues are also addressed.

**Lois (Steinberg) Silverstein** '60, *Woman Trees How Are You Blooming*, Red Shoes Press, 1989.

A collection of previously published and newer poems. Some of the poetry in this book has appeared in magazines such as *Yankee*, *Xanadu*, and *Bitterroot*. Embedded in Silverstein's poems is a powerful sense of womanhood.

**Barbara Elliott Snedecor** '80, *Whisperings*, Bookcraft, 1990, \$5.95.

Katherine, an adolescent Mormon secure in her faith, finds her life confused by her friendship with Jilligan, a non-Mormon girl from the East. Katherine struggles to rediscover certainty and identity in her life and faith. By the same author is *A Love That Endures* (Bookcraft, 1987, \$7.95).

**Hannah (Dunnitz) Stein** '50, *Schools of Flying Fish*, State Street Press, 1990, \$5.00.

This chapbook combines poetry with philosophical concerns. Stern's lyrical poems reflect upon nature, music, relationships, and city life.

**Laurie Stone** '68, *Starting With Serge*, Doubleday, 1990, \$18.95.

Stone fashions the story of a Jewish family that attempts to cast off its roots in Manhattan's Lower East Side and settle into a comfortable Long Island community. When one daughter proves unable to function in an affluent college setting, the family turns to Serge, the best psychiatrist money can buy. Reviewers have been enthusiastic about this first novel and called the author “a writer worth watching.”

**Susan Rubin Suleiman** '60, *Subversive Intent: Gender, Politics, and the Avant-Garde*, Harvard University Press, 1990.

This book examines both how the female body is represented in male avant-garde writing and art and how the aesthetic of women avant-garde artists is affected by political and gender issues. Reviewers have included **Nancy Kipnis Miller** '61, who calls *Subversive Intent* “an original, innovative, wonderfully written, consistently intelligent, and unflappably smart book,” and **Marjorie Mintz Perloff** '53, who considers the author “a marvelous critic—lively, energetic, incisive—and never less than interesting.”



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## EVENTS IN THE ARTS

**Wendy Chambers '75** spent an evening in June playing a small upright toy piano. The performance was held at the Knitting Factory and included John Cage's Suite for Toy Piano, Chambers's own music, and improvisations with other members of the Composers' Toy Piano Improv Group.

This past March **Patricia Cremins '83** and Wyoming, her New York-based dance company, presented "Landing With and Without the Map" in the Great Hall of Cooper Union.

**Alexa Junge '85** and **Jeanine Tesoriero Levenson '83** teamed up to write an original musical entitled *Galileo* which was performed at the Studio Arena Theatre in Buffalo, NY, last year. The show focused on Galileo's conflict with the church over his conviction that the earth revolves around the sun and his relationship with his daughter, a devoutly religious girl.

April 1990 marked the beginning of the new season for the public radio show *The Nakamichi International Music Series* hosted by **Ellen Kushner '77**. The 52-week series presents rare concert performances of classical music from around the world. Produced by WGBH in Boston, the show is broadcast on more than 120 American Public Radio stations and features Kushner's lively and irreverent commentary.

**June Omura '86** and **Holly Williams '79** are dancing with the Monnaie Dance Group/Mark Morris which is based in Brussels, Belgium. The group will be performing at the Brooklyn Academy of Music October 6-14, as part of a US tour that includes San Francisco and the Kennedy Center.

**Jessie Ann Owens '71** gave a pre-concert lecture at ten midwest performances of the Waverly Consort program "Italia Mia: A Musical Tour of Italy in the Renaissance" earlier this year. The lecture, partly sponsored by NEH, examined the relationship between style and function in 15th- and 16th-century Italian music and drew attention to the different contexts for musical performance, such as churches, courts, and city streets.

The New York State Italian-American Legislators' Association acted as host to **Dr. Anne Attura Paolucci '47**, president and founder of "Columbus Countdown 1992," who visited Albany to conduct a program on the quintcentenary of Christopher Columbus's voyages to the new world. Assemblyman Anthony Seminerio called the program "an historical and educational event that promotes the multi-ethnic legacy of Columbus, the first immigrant to the New World."

On February 18 **Jeanne (Walsh) Singer '44**, composer and pianist, and tenor Austin Miskell performed a program of art songs at the Locust Valley library in New York. Several of Singer's own compositions were included among works by Beethoven, Schumann, Ravel, Mozart, and others.

**Alys Terrien-Queen '71** was the pianist for "A Quilt of Song," a concert of 19th-century songs presented at the Boston Public Library.

A short story by **Jeanne Claire van Ryzin '84** has been accepted for the 1990 PEN Syndicated Fiction Project. Stories included in the project are offered to newspapers around the country as well as broadcast on National Public Radio.

**Suzanne Vega '81**, "Days of Open Hand," A&M 7502, LP, CD & Cassette.

Vega's third album is a collection of unique, poetic art songs. Her instrumentation establishes a distinctive mood for each song.

Works on canvas and paper by **Suzanne Chamlin '85** were exhibited at the Paul/Sanger gallery in New Jersey this spring.

An exhibition of works by **Joyce Kosh Kaiser '57** was held at The Continuum gallery in Miami Beach in the spring. Among the paintings was a canvas based on the photo of the Barnard Banjo Society that was used on a Centennial poster. Joyce also did a canvas of one of the four figures; she wrote, "I enjoyed my experiences with these very interesting-looking young women."

Drawings by **Joyce (Selborn) Lyon '64** were exhibited this spring at the Tweed Museum of Art in Duluth, Minnesota. The show, entitled "Conversation with Rzeszow," consists of large-scale pastel landscape drawings referring to a small Jewish community in Poland.

An Exhibition of Recent Works by **Susan McKinley '70** was the first of this year at Sligo Art Gallery in Ireland. Susan presented the president of Sligo Gallery with a piece of stone from the Berlin Wall taken from a point opposite the Berlinische Gallery of Modern Art.

The Society of Layerists in Multi-Media (SLMM) celebrated eight years as a network for artists who express a holistic worldview last May 14 with an exhibition at the Johnson-Humrick house Museum in Coshocton, Ohio. The society, founded by **Mary Carroll Nelson '50** with four members in 1982, now boasts 120 members across the country. Nelson's art is made with plexiglass and was shown in "Lightworks," a two-person show at the Dartmouth Street Gallery in Albuquerque last March.

A show entitled "Hudson River Landscape: A Garden Restored" featured photographs of the Heather Garden in Fort Tryon Park by **Jane Schachat '73**. The exhibit was held in May-June in The Arsenal Gallery of Central Park. A horticulturist, Schachat was also involved in the restoration of the garden to its original Olmsted design.

**Edna Carter Southard '66** curated two exhibits at the Miami University Art Museum which ran from February 6 to August 5. *Celebrating Cultural Diversity: Selections from the International Folk Art Collection and Contemporary American Folk, Naïve, and Outsider Art: Into the Mainstream?* offered interesting points of comparison and contrast. On folk art Southard says, "It is a democratic kind of art: you do not have to go to art school to make it. This kind of art seeks to show inner visions rather than the beauty of the real world."

In April and May, the Del Mano Gallery in Los Angeles featured smoked and burnished porcelain vessels by **Jean Chan Thomas '53**.

## WORKS BY WOMEN

14th Annual Film and Video Festival

"International Perspectives"

October 11, 12, and 13, 1990

Sponsored by the Barnard College Library

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For further information, call or write the Department of Media Services, Barnard College Library, 3009 Broadway, New York, NY 10027, 212-854-2418.

# IN MEMORIAM

13 Joan Sperling Lewinson, March 28  
15 Millicent Lubetkin Aaronson, January 27, 1989  
Helen MacDonald Kuzmier, January 31  
16 Marie Chancellor Miller, March 31  
17 Gertrude Adelstein, May 17  
Elinor Sachs Barr, March 24  
18 Elaine Drake, November 20, 1989  
Irma Liccione Mazzarella, April 20  
20 Marie-Louise Florida Omeis, May 6  
21 Florence Von Deesten Becker, 1987  
Venn Milbank Olmstead, January 13  
22 Helen Sheehan Carroll, July 9, 1989  
23 Dorothy Scholze Kasius, March 2  
Clara Loftus Verrilli, January 1990  
24 Eloise Fosdick McLennan, April 30  
Genevieve Colihan Perkins, March 27  
Lillian Harris Planer, April 20  
25 Katharine Litzinger, April 28  
Dorothy James Roberts, February 27  
Phoebe Wilcox, May 9  
26 Irma Brandeis, January 29  
Pearl Greenberg Grand, May 10  
Dorothy Van Den Bosch Inglis, April 17  
27 Helen Moran Huff, January 27  
Isabel Starrett Hunt, 1987  
Laura Krejci, February 15  
Kate Eisig Tode, February 21  
Leona Hurwitz Zacharias, January 28  
29 Mary Zwemer Brittain, March 6  
Margaret Masone, April 20  
Laura Bliss Warner, February 14  
31 Marjorie Crowley, January 30  
32 Jeannette Ludwig Kiefer, July 22, 1988  
33 Janet Silverman Cohen, March 20  
34 Sylvia Wolfsie Katz, March 30  
Alice Kish Winter, May 12  
36 Helen Billyou Klein, May 8  
Bettina Magnanti, August 31, 1988  
Jane Wilcox, January 7  
38 Virginia Woods Bechet, February 13  
Claire Heimrod Bradley, October 18, 1989  
Barbara Hunt, December 31, 1989  
39 Helen Rome Marsh, March 3  
Mary Walrath Quinn, April 5  
Ida Padgett Storms, July 31, 1988  
Bella Straus Weinberg, March 17  
40 Maude Vance Otvos, October 16, 1981  
43 Marjie Beck Hoople, March 14  
44 Claire Virgien Noble, March 24  
45 Constance Ruderisch Bartels, October 30, 1987  
46 Marjorie Dahl Hasl, May 13  
50 Elizabeth Bartlett Peterson, February 21  
54 Ann Jezer Avins, December 29, 1989  
56 Lily Lonnquist Johnson, April 19  
Ora Mendelsohn Rosen, May 31  
58 Antoinette Willner Clark, February 9  
Jenifer Ballard Ramberg, August 15, 1989  
62 Natalie Spassky, November 23, 1989  
66 Felice Hamada Schoenberg, December 23, 1989  
Marsha Teitelbaum, December 15, 1989  
70 Lucretia Taylor Colby, April 28  
78 Kathryn Linder Ecochard, March 25

## Ruth Bunzel '18

An anthropologist who had been associated with Barnard and Columbia for more than sixty years, as student, researcher, and faculty member, Ruth Bunzel was a pioneering authority on American Indian ceremonialism. Her particular interest was the Zuni Indians and she had a special talent for persuading reluctant tribesmen to explain their ceremonies and rituals to her. She wrote many articles and books on the Zunis as well as a major study of the Mayan Indians in Guatemala and several works dealing with primitive art. She worked under Margaret Mead in the 1940s and was coauthor with Mead of *The Golden Age of Anthropology* (1960).

## Lillian Harris Planer '24

All of us can remember Lillian's interest in the theater when we were at college. Her interest continued and she wrote several popular radio series in the 1940s, including "Mayor of the Town," "Mr. and Mrs. North," and "Meet Corliss Archer," as well as a movie script and a play. Alumnae who live in New York owe her thanks for a very recent project, a daytime faculty lecture series that

she initiated in 1981. Every year since then, members of the Barnard faculty have brought their classrooms to the homes of alumnae for the benefit of alumnae and friends. Lillian was honored with an Alumnae Recognition Award in 1986. She leaves a son and daughter and three grandchildren.

## Claire Virgien Noble '44

It is hard to recall now the many ways in which the lives of women were re-directed by WWII, but Claire Noble's life was one outstanding example of this influence. Claire accelerated her Barnard studies, completing her degree in 1943, and was selected for the first aeronautical engineering course offered to women in the U.S. She received her engineering certificate in October '43 and spent the remainder of the war at Chance Vought Aircraft in Connecticut. She married a Navy pilot who was killed in a crash during peace-time exercises and married again a few years later. She devoted the rest of her life to her family and to volunteer organizations in suburban Westchester, especially Children's Village in Dobbs Ferry. She is survived by a son and daughter and three grandchildren.

## Karen Osney Brownstein '66

One day last December, Karen Brownstein took charge of the quality of her life and asked that no further effort be made to sustain it. The respirator that had overcome the effect of a blood clot in her lungs was shut off. It was an act of enormous courage, the culmination of a life of courage, dignity, determination, and love, and a life of writing.

Although her preferred medium was fiction, Karen's first book was autobiographical. Entitled *Brainstorm*, it was a riveting account of her experience with a brain tumor, radiation treatment, and recovery. She subsequently published two novels, *Memorial Day* and *In a Certain Light*, and taught fiction to women in Palo Alto, CA, as she had done at Barnard. In 1987 she suffered a serious stroke but again she fought back, even beginning work on a third novel, to be entitled *Aftermath*, before an accident brought on her final illness.

Karen paid tribute to her own teachers in her devotion to her craft. She also honored her particular mentor, the late Professor Howard Teichmann, by establishing a writing

prize in his name at Barnard. Her memory is cherished by friends, classmates, and former students, and by her mother, her husband, and two sons.

### **Julie V. Marsteller '69**

On January 26th of this year, Julie V. Marsteller, Dean for Disabled Students at Barnard, was notified that she had been selected to receive the Barnard Medal of Distinction. On February 13, at the age of 47, Julie died after a brief period in St. Luke's Hospital. At the Barnard graduation ceremony in May, the medal was accepted by her mother, Gloria C. Marsteller. Thus closed a chapter in the life of a remarkable woman—a chapter that does not mark the end of her influence on the Barnard community or beyond.

In 1962, when Julie entered Barnard, walking then with canes, she had been living with muscular dystrophy for eight years. Surely neither she nor we anticipated that she would remain at the College for almost three decades—her mobility lessening as her skills and achievements grew. Louise Basch Greenberg '66 remembers her from student days: "at a time when almost everyone at Barnard was a maverick, Julie stood out because of her equanimity and balanced outlook. She had an original mind, enormous tolerance of others, and a sharp wit. Her astute observations, especially of anything a bit phoney, made it fun to compare ideas." Following her graduation—in American Studies, with honors—Julie became the College Archivist and then served as Assistant to the President.

But her greatest achievement came in this last decade, when she took on the job of providing disability services to students. She moved to Claremont Avenue so that she could whiz between home and office in her motorized wheelchair as she began the tasks of sensitizing us and of making the campus accessible to all. These were tasks about which she cared a great deal, enough to be stubborn and insistent, enough to be informed and reasonable and clear-eyed. At her memorial service, President Ellen Futter termed her "an activist and an advocate—a true Barnard woman."

And, in the words of Professor Christopher Baswell, "Julie's efforts transformed this place. Disabled people can move around Barnard without thinking about it, without implicitly having to explain themselves with every word and gesture. Any person, ever, who comes to Barnard and finds the world a little easier in this respect, has Julie to thank..."

"She created a community in which psychic as well as physical space was made for disabled people. Julie Marsteller did that almost miraculous thing: she taught not just the many individuals who were her friends and colleagues, but a whole institution to expand its sense of who belongs."

Julie's resolution and eloquence gained her widespread respect and a national reputation in her field, but her colleagues and friends knew her as a far more complex and fascinating woman, one of incisive wit and cultivated interests, alive to the beauties of her surroundings, aware of the nuances of human relationships, and a

wonderfully amusing companion. Counting on Julie was a habit—counting on her to know some arcane bit of college history, to tell us that we had been insensitive or over-indulgent, to epitomize, with a wry comment, a fuzzy situation or an overly long discussion.

But, in President Futter's words, "Perhaps most important of all, it was her friendship and her example that made us realize that not only is the line between health and disability tenuous and easily breached, but it does not mark any essential division among us. Its very fragility is a bonding force. We shall remember."

*Barbara A. Schmitter  
Vice President/Dean for Student Affairs*

## **Barnard Representatives at College Inaugurations**

One of the most glorious events of academic life is the inauguration of the president of a college or university. Each year, a number of Barnard alumnae have the opportunity to participate in the inaugurations at institutions around the country, marching in the academic processions and attending other events related to these impressive ceremonies. The following alumnae represented Barnard at inaugurations during 1989-90:

Millicent Gang Anisfield '46

Anne Bernays '52

Joy Drew Blazey '46

Toni Crowley Coffee '56

Barbara Heinzen Colby '42

Georgia Wight Couden '48

Louise Rhinelander Doyle '60

Charlene Reidbord Ehrenwerth '71

Janet Bersin Finke '56

Ruth Lerman Fitzpatrick '54

Celia P. Fulton '86

Diane Levine Gardener '72

Dr. Wendy N. Greenberg '73

Joan E. Herman '75

Dr. Gayle Knapp '71

Ann Selgin Levy '65

Priscilla Ohler Markley '64

Maureen McCann Miletta '50

Elizabeth Bean Miller '50

Katharine V. Morrison '79

Pamela Munro-Favere '69

Ann Kelly Newton '53

Caroline Duncombe Pelz '40

Edith Bernstein Schatz '52

Nina L. Shaw '76

Catherine Strateman Sims '34

Phyllis Edelstein Stern '65

Renee Becker Swartz '55

Montclair State College

Northeastern University

Converse College

Kean College of New Jersey

Georgetown University

SUNY College at Oneonta

(Centennial Convocation)

University of Central Florida

Waynesburg College

Caldwell College

(50th Anniversary Convocation)

Centre College

Mississippi University for Women

Babson College

Cedar Crest College

Trinity College (Hartford)

Brigham Young University

Johnson State College (VT)

Bates College

St. John's University (NY)

University of Idaho

SUNY College at Buffalo

Mount St. Mary's College (CA)

Adrian College

Siena College

University of Hartford

Whittier College

Georgia State University

Arizona State University

Drew University

# CLASS NOTES

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Many thanks to *Virginia MacEachern Dunford* '38 for sending us a page from a recent issue of *Florida Gardener* noting the golden anniversary of the library of the Florida Foundation of Garden Clubs, which was founded by *Adelaide Owens Nielund*. Adelaide Nielund chaired the library for many years and also served as University Extension Chairman for the Federation. She was active on the State Board of FFGC until a few years before her death in 1980.

*Mary Ross Townsend* ("Caesar") is living in The LeLand Home in Waltham, MA. She plans to spend a month in Essex, NY this summer.

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We regret that we must report the death in January of *Millicent Lubetkin Aaronson*. Our sympathy goes to her daughter, *Alice Aaronson Zlotnick* '53 and granddaughters, *Tamar Kahane* '82 and *Dina Felsen* '87, who attended the Reunion Luncheon of the Class of 1915 in 1985. They send their best wishes to the class on the occasion of our 75th anniversary.

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We are sorry to report the death of *Marjorie Hulskamp Craig*. After Barnard Marjorie taught for many years in the NYC school system. In 1959 she moved to Lake Wales, FL, where she was active in the public library, the Florida Bi-Partisans, and matters of conservation. Marjorie founded the Operation Bootstrap education fund, an organization that solicits money from community groups and businesses in order to lend it interest-free to local high school students for further education. The sad news was given to us by *Frances Donnellon Updike* '43 who writes, "I was so proud of her. She founded a scholarship program here that has helped hundreds of young people. She was a true daughter of Barnard in her small way."

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*Elizabeth Man Sarcka*  
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Long Island City, NY 11104

Class president *Freda Wobber Marden* and *Elizabeth Man Sarcka* very much enjoyed the Annual Luncheon at Barnard on May 18; they were the most senior alumnae there! Fritz still works with the Franklin Township (NJ) Environmental Commission and was honored recently for being the longest serving member of the local Democratic committee.

Elizabeth Sarcka celebrated her 70th birthday many years ago but still cherishes the poem sent to her by *Babette Deutsch* on that occasion:

Seventy years go as quick as a dollar.  
So I have heard, and, alas, it's true.  
Seventy years go as quick as a dollar?  
Just think what it has bought for you.

People you've loved, places you've visited,  
The things you've done that you'll always own;  
There've been griefs, of course, regrets and worries  
Yet you can't be robbed of the joys you've known.

So let us celebrate together  
What these enriching years can mean,  
Sure that, whatever may be their number,  
We shall go on being SEVENTEEN!

Babette Deutsch's son, Adam Yarmolinsky, was married February 3 to Dr. *Sarah Ames Ellis* '47.

It is sad to report the death in March of *Elinor Sachs Barr*, a truly distinguished member of our distinguished class. We send deep sympathy to her daughter, *Winifred Barr Rothenberg* '47, who came with her to our 1987 Reunion. Winifred writes: "Elinor, born in Lithuania, came to NY through Ellis Island in 1905 and attended Wadleigh High School, winning honors in Latin and Greek. Her classics teacher insisted that she enter Barnard and found a donor to pay her tuition. Barnard was the turning point in her life. She met Belle Moskovitz, a leading progressive in Al Smith's government, who was deeply interested in problems of women in industry. She engaged Ellie to study women's working conditions. In 1921 Ellie was sent by the National Council of Jewish Women to Europe to organize Jewish women to ease immigration problems. In 1940 she moved back to NY, working in federal and state housing programs until 1945, when she returned to the NCJW in the Overseas Scholarship Program. She continued working until 1970. Hers was a triumphant life, beautifully lived. She survives in two children, five grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter, Julie, with red hair."

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Classmates have added their words of remembrance to the obituary for *Hedwig Koenig* that appeared in this magazine last year. *Dorothy Graffe Van Doren* graduated with Hedwig from Girl's High School and recalls that she had always wanted a medical career. Hedwig "was often a visitor with our family in New York and always welcome...and later at our farm in Connecticut. Old and young considered her a member of the family."

The Ida Hilton Public Library in Darien, Georgia dedicated a room in honor of *Frances Haynes* last September. A computer system was also donated to the library in her name. The Haynes Memorial room is the library's meeting room. Frances helped reorganize the office in the 1970s and was an active supporter of the library throughout her lifetime.

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Sad news comes from *Elaine Kennard Geiger* of the death on May 6 of *M.L. Florida Omeis*. A memorial service and interment took place in Galesburg, IL, which was her home for many years until she moved to Florida in 1986.

Elaine had some happy news, as well — of the wedding of a granddaughter in England in May. Regrettably, it kept her from coming to Barnard for Reunion; present at the Annual Luncheon were *Granville Meixell Snyder* and *Concettina Scancarello Monti*.

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A letter from *Noreen Lahiff Grey* delighted me. She had enjoyed our 65th Reunion, though so few of us were able to attend. Despite getting around with canes, she busily does sewing, painting, reading, and general activities. Good for you, Noreen!

*Lucy Olga Lewton* recently completed a novel entitled *One Year to Live*, about the NY medical world of the 1920s.

We regret that we must report the death of *Helen Sheehan Carroll* in July 1989. Helen spent her last months at the St. Francis Convalescent Hospital in Daly City, CA, where she was visited every day by some member of her family; to them we send our sincere condolences.

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*Irene Swartz Fontaine-Won* writes from Pittsburg, CA, that she is "very active; no infirmities." She and her husband recently took a trip on the *Delta Queen* out of New Orleans. Irene studied painting at the local college and has won awards for her work. She is also editing her life story for her family, and has been honored for achievement in poetry. Her three children, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren are all doing "A-okay."

We are saddened to report the death of *Dorothy Scholze Kasius* on March 2, 1990, of pneumonia. Her daughter writes that although she suffered from Alzheimer's for a number of years, her last year was one of "quiet contentment."

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*Adele Bazinet McCormick*  
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We regret to announce the deaths of *H. Suzanne Jobert* and *Lillian Harris Planer*.

Class president *Cicely Applebaum Ryshpan* reports that she went on two Elderhostel tours in the past year: a trip to Perugia and Assisi in July 1989 included visits to Etruscan ruins, Renaissance works of art and religious institutions in Assisi; and a fine arts trip to London included eight plays as well as concerts. She is pleased to have her interim service as Class Correspondent terminated with the kind offer of *Adele Bazinet McCormick* to assume that responsibility once again. Do write to her about your activities.

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We had a very enjoyable Reunion luncheon and class tea party with eight members present: *Louise Rosenblatt*, who received the Distinguished Alumna Award and was accompanied by her husband, Sidney Ratner; *Evelyn Kane Berg*, *Eleanor Kapp Darby* (from Mt. Airy, MD), *Marion Kahn Kahn*, *Pearl Bernstein Max*, *Madeleine Hooke Rice*, *Katharine Newcomer Schlichting*, who came with her daughter from Vermont, and *Emma Dietz Stecher*. We are especially grateful to Marion Kahn for her heroic efforts in fundraising and to *Helen Kammerer Cunningham* for her long service as class correspondent, as well as to all our other class officers. The citation accompanying the presentation of the award to Louise appears elsewhere in this magazine.

We received letters from several classmates who were unable to join us. *Aldene Barrington* recently returned from a 60-day cruise around South America. She writes that "the ship stopped at a number of important ports. It was interesting to see the many changes that have taken place in those cities since I was stationed in South America."

**Pauline Rush Evans** is "busy working on a biography of an 18th-century woman, Holy Mary Wortley Montague, and enjoying it, though I have too much detail. Title of the work will be *It Has All Been Very Interesting*; sub-title 'Lady Mary, a Modern Woman, Born 1689.'"

**Angela Kitzinger** writes, "The years have passed like visions of the night. They have been busy years, I hope productive; spent in study (a PhD in comparative literature); teaching (25 years at San Diego State U); pursuit of major interests, opera, books, nature; and a growing preoccupation with current events. Sorry not to be with you to celebrate our 65th year."

Regrets about missing Reunion also came from **Mary Crowley Hernblad** who lives in a dwelling for seniors in Stamford, CT; on May 17th Mary celebrated her 90th birthday!

**Mary Benjamin Henderson** "would have loved to be on hand" but she no longer travels far from her home in upstate NY.

**Katherine Browne Stehle** sent special greetings to Louise Rosenblatt. Kay sold her house and moved to an apartment two years ago ("I don't think I am old enough for a retirement home!"). Recent trips included China in '88, Malta and London in '89, and London and the Channel Islands earlier this year.

**Edna Peterson** had looked forward to our 65th but suffered another heart attack and spent the time instead in the Staten Island Hospital. We all hope she will be well soon.

**Anna Corn Levy's** first great-grandchild was born on January first. What a nice way to start the year!

**Maud Cabot Morgan** writes that she continues to paint and show in Boston and Cambridge and still sells well. "Have just finished a first draft of my autobiography. Publisher uncertain so far."

We regret that we must report the deaths of **Katherine Litzinger** and **Phoebe Wilcox**. We send condolences to their families and friends.

**Dorothy James Roberts** died on February 27 in California. We had lost touch with Dorothy, who had received several awards for her many volumes of fiction.



Marion Greenebaum Epstein '35 and Celine Greenebaum Marcus '30, sisters who share a Reunion year, come together at the Annual AABC Luncheon.

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There has been little news of our class recently and **Dorothy Ashworth Nathan** writes that she misses it. Dorothy has been living in Florida since 1968 and in a retirement home in Sarasota for the past eight years. President of the Residents Assn. and an active member of the LWV, she is in good health. Her husband died in 1988.

**Aimee Goldman Greenberg** wrote from White Plains, NY, that she spent three months last winter at a retirement home in Florida. "This seems to be the thing to do," she says, "but I did not enjoy it."

The American Sociological Association selected

**Mirra Komarovsky**, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, as the 1990 recipient of the Commonwealth Award for outstanding achievement in sociology. Mirra was recently the subject of two articles: "Finding a Sociological Voice: The Work of Mirra Komarovsky" in *Sociological Inquiry* and "Gender Roles and Social Change: Reviewing the Sociology of Mirra Komarovsky" in *Gender and Society*.

**Nina Howell Starr** is recovering slowly from back surgery.

We regret to report the death in January of **Irma Brandeis** at her home on the campus of Bard College. Irma was an authority on Dante and a professor of literature at Bard, where she began teaching in 1944 after teaching at Sarah Lawrence College and the New School and working for the Office of War Information. She wrote a book and many articles on Dante and translated other Italian and French writers.

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**Mildred Gluck Tombak**  
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After beseeching everyone for news, I find myself inundated with so much material that I am considering saving some for the next "arid period." But then suppose I am not around to complete what I started!! With that in mind, here goes.

**Beatrice Taub Kleppner** writes that Amy, the wife of her son Adam, teaches English in a magnet school in Maryland. This summer she is working on a new anthology of essays for her students and for high school use generally. Bea's other daughter-in-law, Daniel's wife, also named **Bea** (Barnard '54), is very much involved in administering an annual Japanese-American seminar for college students from the US, Japan and other countries. The students, who are chosen after stiff competition, share a general interest in learning about each other's cultures and a specific interest in some area of math or science. They are likely to include some of tomorrow's scientific leaders. The seminar was founded in 1987 by Daniel and an eminent Japanese mathematician. It consists of lectures, in Japan, by distinguished scientists. Bea is particularly concerned with encouraging the careers of women in science. She coordinates the selection of 25 lucky students, who have come from Harvard, MIT, Barnard, and other top colleges.

Bea had also given me information regarding her daughter Susan but I shall save it for another time.

I hope the effort Bea has made to answer my appeal will be a lesson to all the survivors of 1927 and that you will respond in like manner!!

Carl Christian Dauterman, husband of **Felicia Sterling Dauterman**, died in November 1989. He was Curator Emeritus of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and adjunct professor in the Dept. of Art and Archaeology at Columbia. **Martha Bennett Heyde** '41 wrote to Felicia, "I know how he supported you in your devoted work on behalf of the Barnard Club of NY and the College."

In addition, we are sorry that we must again report that our class has suffered several losses. **Virginia Fisher**, our former class president, died last October at home after a long illness. Other deaths of which we were recently informed are as follows: **Kate Eisig Tode** and **Laura Krejci** in February 1990; **Leona Hurwitz Zacharias** and **Helen Moran Huff** in January 1990; **Henrietta Krefeld** and **Lisa Dougherty Coon** in December 1989. In addition we have just learned of the death of **Edith Harris Moore** in July 1989 and **Isabel Starrett Hurt** in 1987. In many of the obituary notices there are some background details which I will be happy to supply if requested.

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**Ruth Richards Eisenstein**  
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**Edith Colvin Mayers** is already looking ahead to our 65th Reunion. Meanwhile, she writes, "Despite my dependence on a wheelchair for distances, I am fortunate in the support of friends and especially Hank, my husband of 60 years, two children, their

spouses, six grandchildren, and three great-granddaughters—the youngest, twins born in April. Their grandmother is **Ruth (Bunny) Mayers Goldhaber** '52."

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**Anny Birnbaum Briege**  
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We report with great sorrow the death of three highly regarded class members: **Edna Beyer Phelan** in Dec. '89; **Laura Bliss Warner**, Feb. '90; and **Mary Zwemer Brittain**, March '90. Their friendship and camaraderie will be greatly missed and to their families we send our sincere sympathy.

**Dorothy Coulter Hancock** would like her new postal route known: 425 Roanoke St., Daleville, VA 24083. It is still the same farm and the same house that keep her busy and she states that she seems to be in the duck business—23 Muscovies and 14 mallards—but there are a lot of young ducklings who may not survive because of foxes, great horned owls and other predators.

**Helen Savery Hungerford**'s career is to be admired. An outstanding Greek Games dancer, she danced professionally for many years after tutelage from Doris Humphrey, a pioneer of the modern dance movement. She danced on Broadway in such musicals as *Lysistrata*, *Americana*, and *Candide*. Her account of "Dancing in the Depression" was published in *Dance Chronicle* in 1984. Married in 1938, she lived in Washington, DC, where she studied painting at the Corcoran Gallery School of Art. Next she moved to State College, PA, where she taught dancing at Penn State. After obtaining her master's in theatre arts, she taught theatre and acted in local plays. In January, she was invited to exhibit her "Portraits Plus"—landscapes, still lifes and figures—at the Kern Gallery on the Penn State campus. She has combined her graceful movements as a dancer and her artistic energy onto the canvas in an exhibit of grace and feeling.

It has been brought to my attention that the characterization of our late **Elizabeth Hughes Gossett**'s childhood diabetes was portrayed on PBS a few months ago. The program was the story of Dr. Banting's discovery of insulin and was called "Glory Enough for All." Betty was one of his first patients. My thanks to **Dorothy Neuer Hess**, **Madeline Russell Robinton** and **Barbara Maopoulos Floros** who saw the program.

**Bessie Bergner Sherman** writes that daughter **Joan Freilich** '63 is now an assistant vp at Con Edison.

**Miriam Kanter Buxbaum** traveled to the south of France with daughter **Lois Schenck** '63 and her husband, symphony conductor Andrew Schenck. The occasion was her 80th birthday.

Best wishes for a complete recovery to **Marguerite Beutenmuller Offhouse** who has had an eye problem.

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Reunion 1990 drew a larger than usual gathering to Barnard for our 60th Reunion. Twenty-eight members assembled in the lovely Ella Weed Room for a delightful luncheon. Those in attendance were **Dorothy Adelson**, **Evelyn Safran Barnett**, **Margaret Ralph Bowering**, **Marion Rhodes Brown**, **Katie Jaeger Dexter**, **Gertrude Glogau Drachman**, **Françine Alessi Dunlavy**, **Fredericka Gaines Fels**, **Alice Harper Feuerstein**, **Ruth Goldstein Fribourg**, **Irene Friedman Harris**, **Julie Hudson**, **Viola Robinson Isaacs**, **Jeanette Abelow Jarnow**, **Helen Chamberlain**



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**Josefsberg, Mary Dublin Keyserling, Jennie Schmidt Korsgen, Sylvia Gettinger Lilienfeld, Celine Greenbaum Marcus, Helene Barker Marx, Eleanor Noble, Isabel Rubenstein Rubin, Ruth Meyer Ruder- man, Filippa Vultaggio Scafuro, Helen Felstiner Treeger, Delia Brown Unkelbach, Deborah Douglas Weisburd, and Winifred Anderson Zubin.** We were honored by a visit from President Ellen Futter and AABC President Mary Louise Stewart Reid.

We have 135 classmates with whom we are in touch, and greetings were received from many. **Rose Marcus Coe** regretted that she was unable to attend the Reunion. **Agnes Slawson Wilkin** continues in her house in Sturbridge and would be happy to receive any classmates when they're in the vicinity.

Five years ago **Rosine Ludwig Krahmer** moved to the little village of Kinderhook in upstate NY to be near one of her daughters. She loves it there. She has volunteered in the local library and in the nearby Waldorf School library, putting to good use her Columbia MLS. She enjoys trips to the Caribbean every winter but misses her sister **Jeannette** '32, who died in 1988. They had always traveled together.

San Antonio, Texas, is the new home for **Marion Morf Kingsley**. Her younger daughter and husband moved there in 1989. Marion bought the small house next to theirs. She loves the house as all the rooms are on one floor and her furniture and paintings are shown to advantage. After 57 years in the large house in Bronxville, with its spacious porches and grounds, Marion felt it was time to be near relatives.

**Beatrice Goble Brick** is another who has moved from a big house to smaller quarters. She and her dog live in a nice apartment in the same area of Pittsburgh. Bea is the proud grandmother of six; granddaughter **Nancy Solomon** graduated from Barnard in 1983.

For the last three years **Gertrude Glogau Drachman** has lived in a senior citizen apartment, where she is continually learning from her fellow tenants what it means to care and share. She teaches piano privately. Many of her pupils have problems and find stability in "Grandma." Gertrude's daughter Iris lives in Hawaii. She is a part-time surgical nurse and

is beginning to be recognized as a sculptor. Iris' daughter Ziva is a wholesome, selfless human being who, incidentally, does well in school.

**Edith Kirkpatrick Dean** has written her memoirs to show her family that life from early to late 20th century was lived during many startling periods with mind-boggling progress in many directions. Edith was an only child. Today she is the matriarch of an extended family totaling 37.

This winter **Ruth Goldstein Fribourg** and Lou visited Los Angeles and Palm Springs. In April they took a Mediterranean cruise. Lou is still serving as an administrative law judge. They both take in as much of NY's cultural events as time allows.

A 50th birthday party for a house in Vermont will be celebrated this summer by **Peggy Walker Herriott** and her husband. All of their descendants are invited.

**Jeannette Waring Leland** writes from Texas that her husband has had two strokes but copes magnificently. Jeannette enjoys French luncheons with other Francophiles. Teachers are still using materials she developed for dyslexic students, materials which unfortunately have not been published.

**Julie Hudson** and her sister visited Paris during the bicentennial and explored some of the Loire Valley's chateaux. Ten days in London followed where they had an orgy of theatre going. At an English Speaking Union soiree they met Edward Petherbridge, who played Peter Wimsey in the BBC mystery series.

**Elsa Meder** is another classmate who feels that she chose the right retirement spot 20 years ago. She enjoys local activities as well as stage plays in Portland, ME. If she sits in her secluded screen house in her large back yard she is protected from tourists trying to find the Bush compound. Elsa taught a winter term course at the U of New England in Biddeford on sub-Saharan Africa and found it great to be a teacher again.

**Thelma Rosengardt Wolbarsht** has written to thank **Delia Brown Unkelbach** for the superb way in which Delia has contacted classmates for news for many years. Delia is now retiring from the correspondence committee.

**Calista Bristol Dowlin** died on March 27, 1988. She was preceded in death by her husband and one of her daughters, both surgeons. Survivors include one daughter and three grandchildren, one of whom, Kelsey Voss, is a senior at Barnard. We send sincere condolences to Calista's family as well as to the families of **Alice Agnew Shackelford** and **Hilda Brandenstein Buegeleisen**.

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**Beatrice Zeisler**  
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We are sorry to learn of the loss of several more of our classmates: **Barbara Lough Muller** 7/17/89, **Marjorie Crowley** 1/30/90, **Anne Tusten Graham** 12/31/89, leaving a daughter in Florida and a son in Stamford, CT, and **Margaret Johnston Ewell** 11/9/89, leaving a niece, Lee Johnston Norton of San Diego, and a nephew, Stoddard P. Johnston of Pebble Beach, CA. Our sincere condolences to all the bereaved families.

**Helene Blanchard Weintraub** made her "positively last move" last year. She writes that she loves the apartment and "being in a Mitchell-Lama co-op (after 10 years on the waiting list) with other friends is pleasant. See you at our 60th Reunion!"

**Edith Eardley Coleman** is still enjoying life on the farm in the western mountains of Virginia, although she is slowing down some. She often sees **Dorothy Coulter Hancock** '29 who lives nearby. Edith's son is doing well in his private architecture practice.

**Frances Markey Dwyer** writes that she returned to New Zealand last summer to attend meetings at which her daughter Johanna was speaking. They arrived a bit travelworn after an overnight stay in Manila en route from Seoul, where they had spent a week at the International Congress on Nutrition. While Johanna worked, Frances played.

**Catherine Kennedy Scott** advises that she is still keeping house for her husband (Lehigh 1926) and outside of playing bridge and occasionally attending

church, does very little. Her garden, which seems to take care of itself, provides great enjoyment from early forsythia to late chrysanthemums.

**Gertrude Gunther** lives on her 29-acre Virginia estate, fronting on a lovely Chesapeake Bay estuary. She writes poetry. Her most recently published poems appear in the anthology *Regional Voices*, Road Publishers, Fairfax Station, VA.

**Eva Michaelis Jacoby** reports that her granddaughter Priscilla Cohn, one of her daughter Sylvia's five children, recently announced her engagement to Daniel P. Karnovsky. An August wedding is planned. Sylvia's oldest daughter, Melissa, has a 4-year-old daughter and Eva's son has two boys. As the family matriarch, she is quite involved in all her children's activities, but is also active in Congregation Habonim and belongs to the Women's City Club where she is on the Transportation Committee, of which **Doris Gilman Elias** is chairperson.

**32** *Madeleine B. Stern  
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Three totally different ways of life are reflected in our current class correspondence. **Ethel Greenfield Booth** is enjoying productive travel, her article on Vietnamese films viewed in Hawaii appearing in the *Los Angeles Times*. Mexico, Paris, London, the two Berlins are included in her itineraries. As program chairman of the Barnard Club in Los Angeles, Ethel enjoyed Pres. Futter's centennial visit where Jane Wyatt Ward introduced her to an appreciative audience. **Lorraine Popper Price** paints an arresting portrait of **Catherine Gannon** (Sister Mary Andrew) from a sketch provided by **Caroline Atz Hastorf**. Catherine, a Dominican Sister, is pharmacist and Superior at Rosary Hill Home, Hawthorne, NY. The Home specializes in care of the poor afflicted with terminal cancer. Catherine entered the community in 1940, was sent to Fordham College of Pharmacy (a *magna cum laude* graduate), and has since led the "pure self-effacing life" to which she aspired. Lorraine writes: "I think we all share an appreciation of Catherine Gannon's life of mercy and dedication."

**Constance Cruse Butler** writes that their trip to Ireland in March was the first trip back in 11 years. "It was a whirlwind of lunches, dinners and ghastly driving over newly built roads in Dublin. We got 'lost' in what should have been familiar territory—but landmarks are gone and Dublin is preparing for its entry into the EEC in lavish style."

A charming note from the desk of **Virginia Weil Burman** conveys the delights of her 40 summers in Montana: "A friend asked me if I didn't find it boring to spend my summers in Montana. I have done it for forty years and nothing I've seen in Europe, Africa or the Orient can compare with a field of wild flowers in our West. To ride a horse on a mountain trail in clean cool air, to surprise a deer or elk, catch a glimpse of a coyote, meet a bear, is to find a little of our country's lost innocence. And I like the people. They seem more attuned to their environment than we do (in the east). I wouldn't give up a summer in Montana for the world."

**Evelyn Sulzberger Heavenerich** reports that the "Detroit Barnard Faithfuls" meet monthly. She has devoted 58 years to Planned Parenthood, and boasts three children, 14 grands and two great-grands.

Anne Janowitz, daughter of **Adeline Tintner Janowitz**, is assistant professor of English and American literature at Brandeis U and is repeating her mother's literary pattern. Anne's book, *England's Ruins: Poetry and National Landscape, 1760-1820*, was recently published by Blackwell.

**Jeanette Ludwig Kiefer** died in July 1988. Jeanette received an MLS degree from Columbia in 1958, served as librarian in Pleasantville High School, and practiced artistic techniques, especially enameling on copper. She is survived by a son, a daughter, three grandchildren, and her sister **Rosine Ludwig Krahmer '30**, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

Your new class correspondent is still actively engaged in the rare book business and is seeing three books through the press. She would therefore much

appreciate it if you would supply her with interesting reports, succinctly written and promptly dispatched.

**33** *Eileen Kelly Hughes  
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We are sorry to report the death of **Janet Silverman Cohen** on March 20, leaving nieces, nephews and cousins to whom we extend our sympathy.

**Eleanor Crapullo** and **Virgilia Kane Wichern** regret the closing of Altman's where they enjoyed occasional luncheon get-togethers at Charleston Gardens. Eleanor is still working, while Jill teamed with **Viola Wichern Shedd** to contact area classmates on contributions to our Barnard Fund.

**Ruth Korwan** walks, plays bridge and calls Bingo.

**Anita Marks Norton** and husband John have moved to NJ to be near their little family, already one grandchild and by now perhaps two. Their son John has passed his bar exam.

**Martha Loewenstein** and **Olga Bendix** are ever busy with fundraising and the welfare of our class. Martha was looking forward to another trip abroad this spring.

By the time you receive this, your Class Notes sisters will be enjoying the summer at their Lake George cottage, taking one week off for their fourth annual Elderhostel, this time at North Adams State College in Massachusetts.

**34** *Helen Cahalane McGoldrick  
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A cheery note from **Fanny Perkins MacRobert** tells the latest of her Elderhostel adventures—to Australia and New Zealand. Her fellow students ranged from 59 to 90! "My Barnard tote bag goes conspicuously with me every trip. The only time I've encountered another one was at the Showboat casino in Atlantic City, but there wasn't time to make the lady's acquaintance!" As a Fund correspondent Fanny says, "It is rather nice to be in closer touch with people I wish I had known better for the last 55 years." How many times this thought recurs!

**Jane Martin Shair** had a nice letter from **Rachel Gierhart Stenhouse** who was ill for a couple of years but has recovered. Rachel lives in Cottonwood, AZ. Jane has four sons and six granddaughters. Her Barnard/Columbia connections, which included her father (teacher at Horace Mann), an uncle (professor of history), two sisters who went to Barnard, and one brother and one son at Columbia, now also include cousin-in-law Dr. Harriette Mogul, Barnard's Director of Health Services. Jane adds, "Hilly and I are fine. Between us we make one pretty good person."

A staged reading of **Dorothy Dannerberg Sterling's** play *We Are Your Sisters* was put on in Wellfleet, MA, by the Blue Heron Theatre in April. The script consists of the words of ex-slave women recorded by writers during the 1930s as part of the WPA Writers Project.

**Sara Gehman Fisher** has moved into a retirement home in Raleigh, NC. She has published one book of her late husband's: *The Idea of a Christian Universality in Today's World*. She expects to complete the other, entitled *Mountain Preacher Stories: Laughter Among the Trumpets*, later this year.

**Jeane Meehan Bucciarelli** writes that she spends November to May in Honolulu and the rest of the year in New Canaan, CT. She has had fun watching five of her ten grandchildren graduate from college.

A charming photo of a sculptured family group was the invitation to a benefit show of sculpture and drawings by **Naomi Kaplan Wenner, MD**, in Washington, DC. Naomi, who had been a psychiatrist for many years, joined the Corcoran School of Art about 15 years ago. Now this ancillary field has seen her work in many group shows and incidentally profiting sweet charity.

**Grace Huntley Pugh** was the subject of a quarter-page piece in the *New York Times* for her work in preserving and landmarking six historic cemeteries in Mamaroneck and Rye, NY. Grace and her volunteers were praised by a national preservation specialist for their careful approach to research and to their subject. Hasta Lente!

**Olga Haller, MD**, retired in '86 from the practice of medicine and in '89 received the Golden Merit Award from the New Jersey Medical Society for "fifty years of distinguished service as a practicing physician." Her interests have now switched from pediatrics to the performing arts. She goes to Lincoln Center often, when she can tear herself away from the "house with a view" she recently built in the Poconos.

In memory and friendship: **Marie Altschul Mansbach**, **Sylvia Wolfsie Katz**, **Ruth Clark Conkey**, **Margaret Brinkman Peatross**, and **Alice Kish Winter**.

**35** *Vivian White Darling  
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Only a tiny portion of 1935 came for our 55th Reunion. Those who enjoyed panel programs, lunch and dinner were: **Gertrude Lober Bernstein**, **Aline Blumner**, **Vivian White Darling** and husband Harold, **Mildred Kreeger Davidson**, **Marion Greenebaum Epstein**, **Sally Dermody French**, **Ruth Saberski Goldenheim** and husband Lewis, **Marion Meurlin Gregory**, **Kathryn Heavey**, **Margery Smith Hubert**, **Mary MacNaughton Hubert**, **Marjorie Kimont Lathrop**, **Mary Selee Lawson** and husband Peter, **Ruth Bedford McDaniel**, **Edith Cantor Morrison**, **Ruth Mitchell Proctor**, **Doris Schloss Rosenthal**, **Naomi Diamond Sachs**, **Dorothy Nolan Sherman** and husband Alden. Applause is due Ruth McDaniel for the attractive setting, the door prizes for everyone and all the planning trips she made to 116th St. Mildred Davidson offered a videotape from movies taken at commencement—even rain. In presenting the slate for new officers, Dorothy Sherman was gratified that everyone asked was willing to serve (listed above).

Illness kept **Betty Luline Rolnick** from the dinner, but let us thank her for keeping our small assets balanced during several terms as treasurer. Our 1990 Class Fund contribution was brought to the highest ever received by a generous gift from **Marie Courtney** which made this a Reunion we will never forget. Lest we are complacent, our percentage of class giving is a low 38%. Grantors and foundations weigh percentage as evidence of the value placed on a Barnard education. Can we aim for 90%?

The evening was sobered by the news of the deaths of **Muriel Pyms Gilly** and **Mary Chamberlin Winternute** and the deaths of the husbands of **Louise Schlosser Ledner** and **Helen Stofer Canny**. News and greetings came from: **Dorothea Thompson Brown**, retired librarian busy as church organist and choir director, volunteer for many groups and, with husband, "parents" for several young people in their church; **Janet Jaeger Diefendorf**, kept home by medical problems but expecting to be out by summer; **Terry Haimes Drucker**, retired after "many never-dull years at Time/Life" and now enjoying a lot of things not done before and the "unexpected joys and surprising rejuvenation" of a day with a 3-year-old grandson; **Diana Campbell Exner**, whose children are college professors.

**Mildred Wells Hughes** and husband are well and describe their daughters as "superwomen." Harold lectured on "First Electric Resonance Experiments" at the U of Michigan last year. **Edith Kane Jakobsson** writes of 12 grandchildren all "mysteriously important, two Asian, two black, some are talented one way, some another."

**Kate Spelman Knapp**, retired from medical



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"Spring is here, the bird is on the wing . . ."

And former class correspondent **Adele Rosenbaum Curott** is doing just that. We caught her on the eve of her departure for springtime in Paris, "strictly a vacation in one place," she says determinedly. Her daughter planned to join her for a short time before going on to the Cannes Festival.

Winging their way back home are **Marion Hellman Sandalls** and husband after a visit to their cherished Portugal and a prolonged stay in Majorca.

Sadly we must report the passing of two classmates. **Virginia Woods Bechet** died on February 13, as reported to us by her son Thomas, whose address is 3418 E. Winona St., Phoenix, AZ 85044. Virginia was a longtime member of the Girls Scouts and an active parishioner of the First Methodist Church in Mount Vernon, NY, where she participated in the Meals on Wheels program. We were also notified of the death last December 31 of **Barbara Hunt**, by her niece, Sue Jennings, 539 10th St., W. Babylon, NY 11704. On your behalf, expressions of sympathy have been sent to both families.

Be sure to stop by at Barnard in the fall for all of our activities and see NY's newest tower clock on the northern face of Centennial Hall, the new dorm. And send us your news.

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To the families of the following classmates we have lost, we extend our sympathy: **Ida Padgett Storms** who died July 31, 1988; **Helen Rome Marsh** who died on March 3, **Bella Straus Weinberg** on March 17, and **Mary Walrath Quinn** on April 5, all this year. Our thoughts go out to those they have left behind.

**Charlotte McClung Dykema** writes that "we have no plans to retire." She continues to teach flute lessons, drive for the Red Cross, and knit for the Seamen's Church Institute. Daughter Joan, who lives in San Francisco, was untouched by the earthquake. Daughter **Betsy Sadewhite** '70 is in Columbia Library School. Son Jim continues to remodel his old house.

**June Kuffler Nelson** celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary this year. She has four children and four grandchildren.

Because of a trip **Elinor Stiefel Appleby** had to miss our 50th Reunion with regret. She volunteers at the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Textile Room, where she works on Far Eastern Textiles. Her last trip was a cruise on the Black Sea. She lives in Manhattan and has two sons and four grandchildren, ranging from 9 to 19 years; one of them, Breckin Meyer, appears occasionally on TV.

Attention all you gardeners. **Ruth Shaw Ernst** has a new book in progress, *The Movable Garden*, about foliage and flowering house plants—exotic, popular and common varieties that can be summered outdoors, and how to care for them. "Working and caring for my collection of over 200 potted plants and a flower garden in summer—I think I may be growing roots and leaves myself."

**Idene Sanders Piazza** says she is adjusting after losing her husband in June 1989 and was glad to spend holidays with her daughters and to have her son and his family back at West Point after a three year tour of duty in Italy.

The new contributing editor to *The Lakeville (CT) Journal* and *The Millerton News* is none other than our own **Charlotte Hall Reid**, who served 16 years as Salisbury's First Selectman, the first woman elected to that position. Before that she served 16 years on the town's Board of Education. Her husband of 39 years, Gordon Reid, died in 1981. The eldest of their four sons, David, is associate managing editor of the *Providence Journal*.

We were happy to learn that our granddaughter Marcie Holloman had been inducted into the National Honor Society and her sister April awarded the highest honor in her class—Mustang—in South

**Sylvia Shimberg Reay** wrote that she couldn't think of travel until she saw her second daughter receive an MD, which took place in June.

Your correspondent enjoyed a birding trip to the Everglades in March. The effects of several years of drought were evident in the scarcity of nesting birds and everywhere one saw the damage suffered by trees in the winter's killing frosts. To a naturalist south Florida is a tragic area.

Our vp **Margaret (Midge) Davidson Barnett** gathered several classmates for a meeting following the annual AABC Luncheon at Reunion to talk about Reunion '91—less than a year away!! We want the next one to be even better than our 50th. If you have any suggestions, please write them to Midge or **Nora Percival** or your correspondent.

With deep personal sorrow I report the death of **Jane Wilcox** in January. Jane and I met early in our freshman year and throughout our college years we shared many happy times, particularly weekends at Barnard camp.

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A "bringin'-up-to-date" letter from **Eleanor Martin Stone** reports that her last two grandchildren were born on what would have been her husband's 72nd and 74th birthdays. Eleanor's extensive travels of the last few years include a hotel-canal-boat trip to Wales with eight companions including her sister **Margaret Martin** '33, a 4-to-5-week trip with Margaret to Japan, Java, Bali, etc., and a trip to Italy with a friend. Twice a year Eleanor drives to the east coast from her home in Lexington, KY, to visit the three of her six children who live there. At home she does volunteer work and sings in an "old ladies" chorus. "I love being retired (from IBM in 1980) and have almost stopped feeling guilty when I read in the daytime." Eleanor is pleased that she visited **Margery Ray Ormond** at her home in Illinois before Margery's death last year.

**Ethel Lewis Lapuyade** writes from Palo Alto, CA, that she did not suffer personally from the Oct. '89 earthquake but "we all feel the impact psychologically . . . I live quietly in senior housing, among friends, and enjoying the support of close neighbors. The mild weather is a big factor with me. It far outweighs the earthquake threat! I try to keep up exercise of body and mind."

Our new class treasurer is **Jesse Herkimer Straus**, succeeding **Estelle Richman Oldak** who died last December after a heart attack.

**Cecilia Rosen Strauss'** husband Michael retired after 53 years as a *New York Times* sports writer. The Strausses spend winters in Florida and summers in Danby, VT, Cecilia's home town. Grandchildren are Alexa and Andrew at Princeton, Amy out of Cornell and John at Florida International U.

We send deepest sympathy to **Molly Mintz Tobert** on the loss of her first grandson, Seth 5½, who died January 15. We also congratulate her on the birth last July of a granddaughter, Jessie. While touring North Carolina last summer, Molly and husband Seymour visited **Ruth Miesse Hannes** in Charlotte.

transcribing, lives in an Asian community in Honolulu, takes care of grandchildren, also has a diaconal ministry through her Episcopal Church. **Lucy Welch Mazzeo** and husband, native New Yorkers, are deciding if they will miss it too much if they move west.

**Adele Baron Marks** wrote to say she hoped Reunion would be a success. **Elizabeth Gallup Myer** is thankful for Barnard standards; her biography is in *Who's Who in America*.

**Marguerite Mead Lively**, also a retired librarian, now a world traveler whose slide lectures entertain community groups, lives with two dogs in a rural area of San Antonio. **Polly Tarbox Schairer** and husband seem to circumnavigate the globe between notes, last winter off to Antarctica again.

**Vivian Tenney**'s last letter describes Turkey and the repression of women there. **Violet Hopwood Sudekum**'s husband is back at work after a ruptured appendix; her daughter is a doctor of veterinary medicine. **Suzanne Foglesong Truran** is historian for the towns of Southeast and Brewster in NY State and is on the board of Southeast Museum. **Catherine McLarney Rae** is working on her third novel, researching the 1880s.

**Marie Leis Pearce** is president of N. Oakland, MI, Genealogical Society, editor of "Heir Lines," and secretary of local historical society; her husband is patron of the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation. With their children in Louisiana, Florida, New Hampshire and Arizona, they travel a good deal.

Also traveling are **Mariam Meurlin Gregory** back from Australia; **Edith Cantor Morrison** shuttling from the USA to Germany where children live and a granddaughter is lucky enough to continue her education in theatre arts; and **Mildred Kreeger Davidson**, whose husband's volunteer work as a business advisor in developing countries takes them to very far away places.

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Winter letters show that in that season many of us tend to look back to warmer days, recalling our travels in other climes.

**Helen Kemp Schweitzer** chose quite different areas—Spain, Nova Scotia and New Orleans—and she planned to be in Paris in May.

**Helen May Strauss** visited Bulgaria and East Germany, a trip she summarized as "astonishing in light of recent developments." She too enjoyed New Orleans, where she gave a paper at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association.

**Jane Eisler Williams** was in South Africa to visit friends whom she came to know through the American Field Service student who lived with the Williams family 25 years ago. She writes, "all my friends are very anti-apartheid or I could not relate to them; their hospitality is endless and so are the insights I obtain into the problems of the infinitely complex society." More recent travels took Jane to Washington where she hoped to put a little pressure on some legislators for legislation in a number of spheres.

Korea. They too return from three years of foreign duty this summer for nine months duty in the USA.

**Elaine Hildenbrand Mueser** was it for our class at Reunion this year until **Ninetta Di Benedetto Hession** appeared at the luncheon. She had to hurry on to theatre work afterwards but Elaine enjoyed the program after lunch—the camaraderie and mental stimulation especially made it “just generally delightful.” Your correspondent was sorry to miss it because of being in charge of her 55th at Baldwin School, Bryn Mawr, the same day. When I asked Baldwin classmate Florence Corbin, who runs Three Ravens Antique Shop in Salisbury, CT, if she knew Charlotte Reid, how her face lit up, “Oh yes!” It was a good day with a rainbow at dinnertime, but for both my husband, Red, and me, part of our hearts were at Barnard.

Please send us your news!

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We, the members of the class of 1940, have celebrated our 50th Reunion. Frankly, we look terrific. And we have lots of news.

First a much-belated notice of the death of **Maude Vance Otvos** in Oct. 1981. Also **Florence Dubroff Shelley**'s husband, Edwin, passed away in January of this year. He had been a director of the Center for Energy Policy and Research of the NY Institute of Technology in Old Westbury. When he was with US Industries he developed commercial production-line robots and invented other automated systems. He was a past president of the National Council of the Aging.

**Lois Saphir Lee**'s oldest granddaughter graduated from Princeton in June; the next is a freshman at Harvard and on the varsity tennis team. Arthur is still not retired. They enjoy Florida in the winter.

**Janet Gowen Hay** writes that they are retired in Ossining, NY. They keep busy with community theater and visiting six grandchildren who are all miles away.

(Peggie) **Margaret Madden McCabe** has been a widow for just over two years and has moved into an army retirement residence community complete with life-care, constructed and managed by Marriott. (Arthur put in 20 years of active service plus 12 years of reserve time.)

**Agnes Cassidy Serbaroli**, in company with quite a few other Barnard graduates, is studying Italian and French at the United Federation of Teachers in NYC. Her son Francis is a partner in a large law firm and son Joseph is marketing director, Fine Chemicals and Metal division, at E.M. Industries.

**Helen Best Dinzl** was delighted to have a visit from **Caroline Duncorne Pelz** and Ed when they were traveling in the Sequin Ort Angeles area of Washington State last summer. “Sequin is a great place to retire.” Recently Carolyn and Ed had tea with Professor Julius Held in Vermont and attended one of the lectures at the Clark Museum in Williamstown, on Rembrandt. Dr Held had been invited to our Reunion but sent regrets along with best wishes.

**Jean Gainfort Deppert** has attended 11 Elderhostels in the last two years with husband Harry. Their grandson is at the U of Delaware and their granddaughter is in high school in Baltimore. Jean plays a lot of tennis, does volunteer work, church neighborhood service and meals-on-wheels. They live in a high-rise condo overlooking the Brandywine River.

**Margaret Boyle Kinsella** plans to visit the Antarctic Jan. 16-29; I hope she shares the trip with us.

**Babette Goldman Kaye** says her MD husband has finally retired. They have three children and eight grandchildren. They spend nine months of the year in Florida and the rest in NY. Babette plays golf and does volunteer work at the hospital. **Gertrude Delvy Candela** is traveling and enjoying the good life with her husband and two daughters. **Marian Riley Beggs** is planning a trip with her husband (retired for the 3rd time) to Monument, CO to visit their oldest son and his family. **Jean Kranz Pendergrass** has been traveling quite a lot since her husband retired. The highlight was a trip to China. They have two grandsons and one granddaughter.

**Anne Wenneis Billings** is Florida representative of the National Hemlock Society. **Ethelwyn Cosbey Lang** is chairperson of the Delaware Committee Against Racism and Apartheid. She is giving classes for teachers re apartheid this summer. She is also active in Artists Against Apartheid, on committees for Central America, Homeless Coalition, corrections reform, a community labor action group, etc.

**Eugenia Grier Wheeler** is still enjoying a small private practice, some writing, and occasional teaching. Her book, *Living Creatively with Chronic Illness*, is available from Pathfinder Publishing, 458 Dorothy Ave., Ventura, CA 93003.

**Julia Edwards** recently returned from Tibet and Laos. Her book, *Women of the World: The Great Foreign Correspondents*, is now available in paperback. Julia has covered occupations, wars, riots and revolutions in Asia, Africa and Europe, and concluded that riots are more dangerous than wars: “In a riot your backside is vulnerable. You have no idea who your enemy is.”

**June Rossbach Bingham Birge** was honored by The Riverside Mental Health Assn. with the Cleveland E. Dodge Memorial Award for her contribution to RMHA and her community service in the field of mental health. June has also originated a program at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital to have screened and trained lay personnel to help families and friends of patients in the Medical ICU. As she says, “Because lay people are not health professionals, they are freer to act in a spontaneous manner; a hug, a shared confidence, even a shared tear may be helpful to the visitor and thus, indirectly, to the patient.”

**Dorothy Clark Lees** missed Reunion because she was traveling in central Europe with her husband. She writes that she visited with **Dorothy Morgan** in Florida during February; she looks wonderful and radiates serenity. Dorothy also spent a weekend with **Sonja Harding Haviland** whose breathing problems are too serious for her to attend Reunion.

And upbeat regrets from **Margaret Botts Balmer** about Reunion. She is back on chemotherapy with a restricted energy level and needs to be near her doctor. She applauded Mills College decision to remain a women's college. She is most proud of her daughter (there are four sons) who is an environmental engineer “doing her utmost to protect Earth and its people.”

**Kathryn Sheeran Allocca** splits the year between Vero Beach, FL and Surf City, NJ. The latter is where the children and grandchildren come to visit. Watercolor painting is her latest interest and traveling her greatest pleasure.

**Catherine Rome Shanahan** wrote that great aunt **Sara Rome** '09 lived to be 99 with all her faculties. In her family older members were cared for by the younger ones and she is now helping with baby-sitting problems of working family members. “A very busy 50 years.”

Regrets from **Marjorie (Gordon) Crews** from Vista, CA: her life as a surgeon has been exciting and interesting and tremendously added to by her marriage 30 years ago to Thomas Gordon. She sends “warmest wishes for happiness to those dear members of our class who have filled my heart with fond memories over the past 50 years. Their kindness and generosity will never be forgotten.”

**Eve Hagmoe Green**, professor emeritus at the U of Washington, former chair of the dance department and a great lady of dance, was instrumental in a program, “A Celebration of 100 Years of Dance in Washington.” It was a collection of people and experiences, a history of connections—teacher to students, choreographer to performer, artist to au-

dience. She was teaching this past semester and was disappointed not to be able to join everyone at Reunion.

**Helen Fabricant Saide** had to have a hip replacement that could not wait—no complications, but regrets that she could not be here. **Nansi Pugh** sent a cablegram of good wishes from her home near Liverpool, England.

**Lucille Krebs Ruthig** is enjoying a happy combination of worthwhile volunteering, mostly in senior housing, playing golf in season, and traveling. Having children nearby adds much to their life and, best of all, good health. **Eleanor Eckhoff Biberstein**, a specialist in learning disabilities at the International School of Bern, Switzerland, will be coming to the states next fall when her artist son has an exhibition in Soho.

**Barbara Hornbeck Wilkinson** wrote from St. Michael, MD that she never planned a career and has worked sporadically. She was a political research analyst with the State Dept. in the late '40s and an assistant to a professor at the Board of Ed. in NYC during the early '60s. She has a real estate license now but spends her time dying material for rugs, embroidery, playing bridge, reading and gardening. She has an engineer son, a grandson at the U of Chicago, and four step-grandchildren.

**Vita O. Weiss Marx** had expected to be with us but a postponed last-minute trip took her to Spain. **Eleanor Bowman Kursch**, our class treasurer, and Donald were felled with illness at the last minute and had to miss Reunion. By Reunion time our class had raised \$55,000 for our 1940 Memorial Scholarship Fund, with 73% of the class participating. This is the highest percentage in several years for any class. With six weeks to go to June 30th, we were still hoping for 75%. Our thanks to Nanette Hayes, Joy Wouk and Caroline Pelz for all their work.

Reunion itself was super. Even the weather obliged. The part arranged by Barnard—the discussions, the overview of the changes in Eastern Europe and the US response to them, the tours, the theater and dance samplers—were stimulating and made many of us want to reenroll.

Sixty of us came to the Tower Suite atop the new Centennial Hall for dinner on Friday evening. The view of the Hudson River on one side, Columbia on the other, and the rest of the city from the 17th floor terrace is spectacular. Jane Beer's granddaughter, Mary spoke about being a Barnard student today, social changes as well as academic. What a delight! Jane Lamb reread the poem she had written in 1940. After 50 years the words still caught the essence of our class. Olga Coren recapped our junior play *Forty Winks* with the help of tape-recorded highlights. Many class members spoke just a few words, Carolyn summarized the efforts involved, and we visited back and forth with each other. Gerry Shaw had put together a fantastic panoramic photo display of our class from 1940 to 1990. It was great fun trying to identify friends.

Saturday evening, after a day at the College or seeing other parts of NYC, we again met at the top of the Tower for cocktails, food and conversation. Ann Kvitman, chairperson of the Reunion, did a magnificent job of coordinating everything.

Friday evening only three husbands were with us as there wasn't room for more at a sitdown dinner. Saturday evening many more came to enjoy the festivities and conversation. Classmates who came from far and near were: **Marguerite King Lindsay** (Scotland); **Ruth Carter Hok** (Sweden); **Margaret Pardée Bates** and **Shirley Ellenbogen Rothkrug** (CA); **Joan Thonet Hall** (IL); **Jane Flickinger Beer** (MI); **E. Marie Boyle** (PA); **Viola Peterson Butzner** and **Margaret Madden McCabe** (VA); **Alice Willis Cardman**, **Olga Scheiner Coren**, **Evelyn Sarian Maldonado**, **Shirley Greene** (Sugarman) Rosenberg and **Jean Willis** (NJ); **Ruth Sedgwick Chapman**, **Ethel Mainzer Ives**, **Helen Gonski Lech** and **Frances Danforth Thomas** (CT); **Anne Richard Davidson** (ME); **Jean Gainfort Deppert** (DE); **Julia Edwards**, **Mary Elizabeth Husson Gehman** and **Adeline Weierich Martin** (FL); **Margaret Boyle Kinsella** (MO); **Jane Hoyt Lamb** (SD); **Pauline Fleming Laudenslager** and **Jane Mantell Otten** (MD); **Isabel Gleasing Lee** (VT);

Ingrith Deyrup Olsen (WA); Muriel Byer Petruzzelli (KS); Miriam Margulies Stubbs (DC); Catherine Donna Vint (IN); and June Rossbach Birge, Louise Salzman Bookstaver, Flora Ehrsam Dudley, Constance Floro, Phyllis Margulies Gilman, Nanette Hodgman Hayes, Shirley Bob Hesslein, Jean Walline Houser, Charlotte Wigand Hoyt, Renee Wile Jackson, Reine Tracy Kidder, Ann Landau Kvitman, Lois Saphir Lee, Helen McCann, Caroline Duncombe Pelz, Doris Siske Ross, Lucille Krebs Ruthig, Mary Maloney Sargent, Agnes Cassidy Serbaroli, Geraldine Sax Shaw, Florence Dubroff Shelley, Margaret Crespo Staud, Ruth Brand Struhl, Joan Shafit Swee, Dorothy Needham Weber, Elaine Wendt Wetterau, and Joy Lattman Wouk (NY).

In addition to all the mementos we took away with us, one member of our class left something behind. A black watch was found in the Tower room after the party; if you think it could be yours, write to Ann Kvitman, 7 Canterbury Road, Scarsdale, NY 10583.

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**Renee Diringer Corliss**, formerly of Long Island where husband Lester worked at Brookhaven National Lab until his retirement three years ago, has moved to a community south of Chapel Hill, NC, and reports that they love it.

From **Jean Sawyer Harris**, news that she is still teaching at the U of Cincinnati and visiting scattered progeny in Washington, Phoenix, California and Italy.

Many thanks to **Beverly Gilmour Lee** for her charming letter from Asheville, NC, where she has lived for ten years. Travel for Beverly has included Newfoundland for an Elderhostel and Rapid City, SD, for husband's 50th college reunion. Texas is oft visited to see family of daughter Diane, Beverly's mother and sister. I like her question: "Strange, isn't it, that all of us, formerly ardent New Englanders and New Yorkers, ended up in the South?"

Beverly's letter also contained the sad news of the death of **Kathleen Fluehr Miller** in Carteret, NJ, last November. Beverly and Kathleen met in 7th grade at Horace Mann and remained fast friends through and after college. To Kathleen's family and to Beverly—deepest sympathy.

Another to join Floridian movement—**Jean Egelhof Meier** enjoying her Vero Beach home and neighbors **Doris Williams** and **Herb Yankee**.

**Greta Eisenmenger Neelsen** and husband Peter, retired from Pan Am, are now residents of Rio Del Mar, CA, (eight miles from the epicenter of the earthquake) and would love to hear from Barnardites in the area. Greta was a faculty member of Mills College in NYC until it closed in the '70s. She also had a children's studio in her Pelham home and taught at the Pelham Art Center.

To **Florence Fimmen Stephens**, congratulations on the new house, just completed.

**Elaine Briggs Wyckoff** is still very busy with volunteer work, particularly work with NJ Botanical Garden at Skylands where she has just completed seven years as editor of The News Letter...now to be known as the "Ad Hoc Person." Hopes for time for even more travel and some personal gardening.

**Phyllis Carrie Zimmer**, despite encounter with 40-foot ladder, "did" Spain and Morocco on four-footed cane (source of great wonder to the natives). Phyllis attended Barnard Centennial Reunion last year with other NJ alumnae in style—a white stretch limousine.

Deepest sympathy to **Marian Linn Wright** and husband, the Rev. Robert Roy Wright, on the death of their son Robert H. Wright in March after a long bout with cancer. I was able to renew college friendship with Marian when Rev. Wright served as asst. pastor of the Valley Stream Methodist Church. I would like to express deepest personal sympathy to the family, who reside in Port Washington, NY.

One year from now I shall be doing the last column before our 50th...only three issues remain before that important day. Won't you share your news with us during the next year?



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**Jeannette Van Walsem** traveled in Europe with **Addie Bostelman Higgins '41** in May. Jeannette travels frequently with the International Castles Institute around Europe. Her fourth grandchild was born in 1989.

**Elinor Schubert Brown** is active as a program manager for educational seminars in Arizona and enjoys teaching sculpture and exhibiting her work.

Over the past several years, **Caroline Chervenie Branflick** has been attending Elderhostel programs and especially recommends the one in Denali National Park in Alaska.

**Elaine Wolf Cotlove** was appointed clinical professor of psychiatry, George Washington U, Washington, DC. **Margaret George Peacock** is still busy with church activities, Meals-on-Wheels, the opera and symphony. In January she took a trip to Egypt.

**Joan Brown Wettingfeld** has sent to the Barnard Library four booklets on the history of her home community of Bayside, NY. The material was researched by her father and compiled by Joan with assistance from her sister, Dr. **Audrey Brown Bollet '44**. Joan is a member of the Advisory History Council to the Queens Borough. The bulletins trace the history of the northern portion of Queens County from the days of the first English settlements in the 1640s.

**Rosemary Graff McMahon** writes from East Stroudsburg, PA: "No time—never any time. Retired 10 years and still not caught up!" She has sold her home and moved to a condo—she hopes she'll have more time there.

**Clytie Capraro Chambers** retired after 23+ years from Hill and Knowlton, the largest public relations and public affairs consultancy in the world. She had been the senior vice president in charge of special services and is now a senior consultant.

**Frances Murphy Duncan** has "further retreated from retirement to become the executive director of the Columbus (GA) Development Center."

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As I write these notes it is about the end of one academic year and as you read them it will be almost the beginning of another. Time does march on, and, happily, most of our classmates continue to live their lives fully and fruitfully. For example:

**Norma Shpetner Levin** writes "After a year plus of retirement from professional work, I am...volunteering as a teacher's assistant, still on the LWV-VI board, working as a research assistant and editor to a U of the Virgin Islands team survey, reading, cleaning up after Hugo, knitting and traveling, and trying to maintain a routine of daily swimming." In a letter to **Lucille Osmer Hutchinson**, Norma wrote that when Hurricane Hugo hit St. Thomas she was in Italy, and, fortunately, only exterior damage was done to her property. "St. Croix was devastated," she said, "but both (St. Thomas and St. Croix) are still beautiful and special places and will survive."

**Christiana Smith Graham** was also affected by nature's tantrums but suffered no damage from the San Francisco earthquake; "...a couple of plates fell. We're on top of a firm hill and though we're almost on the San Andreas fault, this earthquake was on a subsidiary of that fault. We're about 15 miles south of the Marina area and 20 from the Oakland Freeway." Chris, too, was away when the earthquake hit. Was prescience something we studied at Barnard?

**Fanny Brett de Bary** and husband Ted received the 1990 Father Ford Award of Distinction from the Father Ford Associates, a group of Catholic alumni of Columbia and Barnard, in a ceremony at Faculty House April 5. The de Bary's were honored for their support of the Catholic campus ministry and its work.

**Thelma De Fries Pflutner** welcomed a new granddaughter last year and continues to "...enjoy retirement by keeping busy doing volunteer work at a nursing home and at Univ. Hospital in Stony Brook, NY."

**Elfriede Thiele Kelso** says that "in retirement new possibilities present themselves so that I hope that

I will be included in more of the activities which alumnae closer to campus enjoy."

A son of **Elizabeth Barron Kalaidjian**, Dr. Walter B. Kalaidjian, has had his first book published, by Columbia University Press. He is an English professor at Mercer U in Macon, GA. Her other son, Robert, is studying for his master's in fine arts at the School of Visual Arts in NYC.

Congratulations are in order for **Rose Ruth Tarr Ellison** who was honored on her retirement by a seminar and dinner at the P&S Faculty Club last October. Her career has been involved almost entirely with the treatment of and research into cancer, particularly leukemia. Among those speaking at the seminar was Gertrude Elison who shares the 1988 Nobel Prize in Medicine with George H. Hitchings and Sir James Black.

Not all our news is cheerful, however. We have the sad duty to report that our classmate **Margie Beck Hoople** died on March 14. To her husband, William C. Hoople, and all the members of her family, we send our heartfelt sympathy. Our condolences also go to **Mary Vanaman O'Gorman** who lost her husband, Jim, last year.

From Clearwater, FL, **Bettie White** wrote that she and her husband spent a day with **Gretchen Relyea Hannan** at Gretchen's summer home on Bear Lake, 85 miles north of her own cottage on Lake Michigan.

**Helena Wellisz Temmer** spent six weeks in the summer of '89 traveling in western Europe. In the midst of her travels she started to study Spanish for pleasure and now, she thinks, for professional reasons as well: "...Spanish-speaking psychologists are very few and the demand is growing."

If you haven't been in touch, write soon.

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Sorry to start the column on a sad note, but I must report the death of **Claire Virginie Noble** on March 24. (*See In Memoriam page.*)

**Shirley Sexauer Harrison** has retired from the astronomy dept. of Nassau Community College. She and Dave celebrated by spending Christmas with their grandchildren in California, then continued on to Hawaii. She plans to do some research in the physics dept. at Queens Community College, "just for pure enjoyment."

**Conchita Hassell Winn** writes from Dallas that she continues to be active at SMU as professor of Spanish and director of Latin American studies. Three of her five sons are attorneys, one is with the IRS, and one is still in school.

**Ina Campbell** had an interesting experience last summer when she was one of 200 AAUW members who attended a conference of the international organization in Helsinki and then toured the Scandinavian countries.

**Eleanor Streichler Mintz** was honored recently when she retired as asst. dean for development at Cornell U Medical College. She served 11 years at CUMC, after 17 years of public relations and fund development at Barnard.

From Redding, CT, comes word that **Doris Nicholson Almgren** and her husband survived a scary fire in their old farmhouse and spent six weeks with friends while extensive repairs were made. Fortunately, they were not injured.

Having returned to NJ after seven years in Houston, Peter and **Marion La Fountain Stark** are both still working, she as a real estate broker. They spend their free time visiting grandchildren in Texas and California.

**Elizabeth Anne Yoerg Young**, widowed two years ago, has retired after two decades with the American Embassy in Mexico City. Together, she and her late husband counted 44 years with the Foreign Service. She reports that their son has now been posted to the same embassy—"thus, the wheel of life turns, in most amazing ways!" (A few years ago, when my daughter and I were stranded in Mexico due to an airline strike, Anne pulled strings to get us on a plane back to the USA. Thank you again, Anne!)

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"Still enjoying sunny Florida," reports **Virginia Benedict Katz** from Coral Gables. She continues her volunteer Braille transcribing but now does it on a computer.

**Betty (Mary) Gormley Hubbell** writes that she and her husband had a fascinating tour of Costa Rica by jeep. She is still celebrating the bicentennial of the Constitution. Betty followed up her short monograph on women in the U.S. Constitution with background on the Bill of Rights for the National Archives. She writes, "In this period of attacks on individual rights it is a good time to review the Bill of Rights... The issue of a woman's personal and political autonomy are crucial for all of us."

**Alice Eaton Harris** is president of the Music Teachers Council of Westchester County and presided at their Gala 50th Anniversary. And speaking of 50s, **Francoise Kelz** is helping to organize Scarsdale High's 50th reunion, as is **Jo De George** for White Plains High. Carl and I have sent regrets to WPHS—we'll be at our usual stand on the Madison River in Montana. I am informed that the rainbows wait for no man—or woman!

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Our 45th Reunion dinner was so lovely that I wished more classmates had joined us. The soft piano music (tunes from the '40s), the elegant surroundings (Sulzberger Parlor), and the gourmet food made for an unforgettable evening. Thanks are due to our even-tempered, indefatigable, dedicated Reunion chairman, **Annette Kaicher**. A group of us even burst into a Barnard song during the visit by President Futter and AABC President **Mary Louise Reid** '46. It was a tune first used by George M. Cohan ("45 Minutes from Broadway"), but the lyrics, by **Miriam Burstein**, were original, and very appropriate; verses 3 and 4 give you the idea:

Here we learned to treasure our friendships,  
To think at least once every day  
As we planned our careers  
And filled up our years  
In the wondrous Gildersleeve way!  
  
Oh, what a great bunch of women,  
Leaders and followers and wives,  
But we've all had a chance  
At work, fun, and romance  
As we played out our great Barnard lives.

Reunion Dinner, according to my list, was attended by the following beautiful ladies: **Betty Sachs Adenbaum**, **Angela Bornn Bacher**, **Elizabeth Baker**, **Jean Jahr Buckner**, **Miriam Burstein**, **Miriam Skinner Cartwright**, **Alecia Conner**, **Mary Glading Doyle**, **Edna Fredericks Engor**, **Anne Ross Fairbanks**, **Gloria Johanson Finger**, **Argentine Black Fisher**, **Clarice Koehler Fontaine**, **Eleanor Webber Gibson**, **Harriet Hanley**, **Betty Hamnett**, **Eleanor Hoyt Hilsman**, **Meredith Maulsby Jackness**, **Sara Ferris Jones**, **Jean McKenzie Joyce**, **Annette Auld Kaicher**, **Sibyl Polke Karn**, **Patricia Hayes Keough**, **Lillian Tassini Kyle**, **Barbara Sanders Landowne**, **Margaret Woolfolk LaTourrette**, **Bernice Lindenberg Leicher**, **Virginia Conway Littau**, **Eleanor Wax Mamelok**, **Helene Frank (Reinus) Margulies**, **Avra Kessler Mark**, **Hope Simon Miller**, **June Wals Miller**, **Marjorie Bruder Minchenberg**, **Lois Pearlstein Myers**, **Helen Sack Okun**, **Zilpha Frank Platky**, **K. Aurelia (Ray) Raciti Pouder**, **Patricia Cady Remmer**, **Carol Saums Schults**, **Betty Booth Smith**, **June Werner Tauscher**, **Sabre Follett Toback**, **M. Dare Reid Turenne**, **Azelle Brown Waltcher**, **Jane Van Haelewyn Watton**, **Ruth Carson West**, **Dawn Shaw Wilson**, **Felice Turtz Yahr**, **Norma Butler Zaslove**, and myself.

I wasn't able to go to the post-prandial gathering at Hope Miller's place but at the dinner I managed to make a nuisance of myself with a number of classmates in search of news which I will pass along until I run out of space. The order is random; the reporting, verbatim.

**Meredith (Mike) Jackness**, looking zippy in a denim pants suit, retired from Little Red Schoolhouse and went to pot—heavy duty ceramics! She has also become a nutty birdwatcher, taking trips to Arizona, Texas, California, and Trinidad/Tobago, and loves the woods, mountains, shores and parks. Her daughter **Emily** '78 is a cardiologist at Harlem and Columbia Babies Hospitals and the mother of two girls, and of course you know who Andrew Jackness is!

**Eleanor Mamelok** is vice chairman of the Housing Authority in Middletown, NY, where she lives. Her husband, Harold, a pathologist, has retired, which affords them the leisure of frequent visits to their two children and three grandchildren in Palo Alto, CA, and Seattle, WA. While in California they saw **Marjorie Miller Roth**, who unfortunately lost her husband, Len.

**Marjorie Minchenberg** had only one thing to say: "I have seven grandsons!" **Azelle Waltcher** has two joyous events to look forward to: her second grandchild and the marriage of her second son. And **Ruth West** was likewise brimming with contentment about her two little grandsons and impending retirement.

**Betty Smith** is a guide at the Metropolitan and enjoys a lot of traveling with her husband. She is now looking forward to visiting Europe, Japan and Alaska, the latter being the most exciting because her son and family live there.

**Avra Mark** is retiring at the end of 1990 as director of social work at Lawrence Hospital in Bronxville, NY, and likewise her husband as chief of medicine



at Bronx VA Hospital. As a reward for taking this momentous step they are traveling to Egypt, with many more trips to follow. They have three sons, an academic (at Wesleyan), an attorney married to an assistant DA, and a Wall Street journalist in Tokyo. All are married, and the grandchildren total five.

**Harriet Hanley** is like me in that she has no plans to retire and continues as a pediatrician in South Bend, IN. She finds the work rewarding and her annual getaways (eg, to India and Nepal) most enjoyable.

Another nonretiree, **Betty Adenbaum**, apologized profusely for never writing to me. She works for Social Services in Westchester and is hoping to become a grandmother. Indeed, learning that **Barbara Landowne** has ten grandchildren made me a bit envious!

**Angela Bacher** greeted me most affectionately and asked how I had learned that she had married off her son. I replied, "But my dear, I read the *NY Times*!" She laughed and said, "You do take this assignment seriously, don't you?"

I do, and that's why having overstepped my bounds (space-wise, I mean) I have to end it here and now. But I have plenty more to report, so stay tuned!

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Warmest congratulations are offered to **Ellen M. Violett**, who has been nominated for a Writer's Guild of America award for outstanding achievement in television and radio for her teleplay "The Closed Set," which was broadcast on PBS in 1989.

**Doris McGannon O'Brien** has welcomed her sixth grandchild and the achievements of the last three of her seven children, who in May received a PhD in biochemistry from Yale and an MD from Mt. Sinai Medical School, and completed a 3rd year at the U of VA en route to law school. Doris has turned her Wayne, NY, home into a House of Prayer and finds it very rewarding work.

Dr. **Rena Neumann Coen** writes from Minneapolis that she was on a sabbatical leave this year from St. Cloud State U, and that her husband, Edward, retired in June 1989 as professor of economics at the U of Minnesota. Their filmmaker sons, Joel and Ethan (*Blood Simple, Raising Arizona*), were featured in the *NY Times Magazine* of July 8. Daughter **Debbie '74** switched careers and is an intern in Boston.

**Dorothy Sterns Cliff** writes that her daughter's first daughter was born on April 10, the day before her younger son and family left for Tanzania as missionaries, and the same week her older son sent out invitations to his June wedding to a medical librarian in Dearborn. Her younger son and wife had a baby boy in November in Rochester, NY, where he was working on revising the Elim Fellowship Missions

Manual. Dorothy helped on the manual and handles his mailing list and other business when he is overseas (in addition to her part-time teaching).

Other Class Correspondents take note! This task is not totally thankless, as it may seem. One classmate not only was thoughtful enough to send news, but also wrote again to express her thanks and extend an invitation to come and visit should I be in her area.

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It is sad to report the death of Dr. Elias Gerchick, husband of **Ruth Hurwit Gerchick**. Our deep sympathy goes to Ruth and her family.

Our classmates do not let grass grow under their feet! There's so much travel and activity that some items will have to wait for the next column, but here are some high points.

**Nancy McDonald Beyer** writes, "Thanks to the Barnard Directory, I've been in touch with roommates **Robin Dunham Smith '48** and **Rosemary Shove Shiras**, both well and busy. Roommate **Joyce Sennett '48** recently married Dick Tuck in Aspen." Nancy's eldest son, Donald S. Beyer, Jr., is Lt. Governor of VA, and she herself stays busy with the Association for Retarded Citizens of North Virginia, housing advocacy, and Medicaid reform concerns.

**Katherine Kelleen Lindenauer** visited **Nancy Saroli Garces** in Geneva, Switzerland. Katherine's trips over this last year included a stay in Cologne for her violinist son's wedding, a train trip through England and Scotland visiting Norman churches and medieval art, and a journey from Cologne through Germany to Roman and medieval cities. Katherine still works as a psychologist and teaches at college.

Another get-together took place in Charlottesville, where **Marion Gluck Rothman**, enjoying a "happy, busy" retirement, had lunch with **Charlotte Hanley Scott** and **Lois Boochever Rochester '49**. Marion is involved with the League of Women Voters and Red Cross. She golfs, gardens and reads; she'd love to see anyone passing through. We've just learned that Charlotte has received a new award, a Citation for Public Service, presented by the U of Chicago Alumni Assn. (She earned her MBA at Chicago.)

Among our "not-quite-retired" retirees is **Inez Nelbach**, who says, "I have at long last retired from teaching (42 years of it is a long time!), but may stay on at Drew in a very limited capacity as a recruiter for its Merit Scholarship Program." When she wrote, Inez was looking forward to a visit from **Millicent McIntosh**, Inez's idea of "one lively lady!"

Having retired from her career as journalist, **Lucia Webster Klemovich** has become more active in local Connecticut politics. She had served on the Southington school board and Charter Commission and last year ran for a term on the Planning and Zoning Commission. She is also a member of the Cable Television Advisory Council.

Our delighted congratulations to **Lila Amdurska Wallis**, recently chosen by the American Medical Women's Assn. (AMWA) to receive its first Calcium Nutrition Education award "for outstanding contributions in the field of prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of osteoporosis." She has also been selected for AMWA's highest award, the Elizabeth Blackwell Medal, for her "contributions to the education of woman physicians, the care of the woman patient, dedication to AMWA, and the example she sets as a role model for all physicians." Lila is immediate past president of AMWA and still practices internal medicine and endocrinology at Cornell Medical College. She and her husband, who is semi-retired from chemical engineering, have two MD sons.

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My apologies for missing the last issue. At that time we had very little news but that situation has greatly improved.

I start, alas, with messages of condolence. The husband of our Fund Chair, **Eleanor Cahill Georgopulo**, has passed away; we also note with sorrow the death of **Jean Kraus Davidson**. Our deepest sympathy to Eleanor, and to Melvin Davidson and his three children.

On a happier note, **Lawrie (Genevieve) Trevor Nomer** has written that **Barbara Hewlitt Conolly** visited her in November 1988 at her home in Kerrville, TX (near San Antonio). Quoting Lawrie: "She looks stunning! She is still a nature buff as am I. We hiked, took picnics, explored the Texas Hill Country, bird watched, and talked non-stop! It was great to see her after many, many years!"

**Patricia (Pat) Jones Thompson** is now a professor of women's studies at Lehman College, CUNY. Her interest in the home economics movement in the US led to her work on Hestian feminism, which is a perspective on women and women's lives that recognizes the importance of family systems in human life. Pat is the senior author of a recently completed textbook trilogy: *Teens in Action, Resources for Living and Lifeplans*. They are used in middle, junior, and senior high school family living courses. She is also the author of *Home Economics and Feminism: The Hestian Synthesis*.

**Anne Brooks Graney** has written that her husband died in May 1989 after a long bout with cancer and that she is settling in St. Inigoes, MD, where they bought a home ten years ago. Her youngest son, Bruce, was married in August 1989 and he and his wife live with Anne. Her other three children are regular visitors; "the bird life is fantastic, and the peace beautiful." (St. Inigoes is quite close to St. Mary's City in southwestern MD, the oldest settlement in this state.)

**Doris Biggio Manganaro** is director of volunteers at South County Hospital in Wakefield, RI, and also chairs the annual Woman's Club Antique and Craft Spring Show. Since November 1988 she has traveled to Russia, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, and Egypt.

Another traveler to exotic places is **Ann Aldrich**, who took her oldest grandson on an African safari last summer. In 1980 President Carter appointed Ann a federal court judge, the first woman in this position in the State of Ohio.

**Gwenda Hardin Ross** also has been traveling—a nine-week trip through Portugal, Madrid, Paris, London, and Scotland.

**Ruth Trencher Rosenbaum** wrote that she retired in June, after a wonderful 30-year teaching career: "I plan to do babysitting with my four grands and help my Eddie with his tax and business consulting."

**Christine Morris Summerford** also retired from teaching this year and has moved from McLean, VA, to Shepherdstown, WV.

**Natalia Troncoso Casey** notes that her daughter Mary Ellen was married in May 1987 to Cliff Niebling. In the same month her son was graduated from Boston College.

**Irene Sekely Conn** is involved in an international consulting firm with her husband. She has been to Moscow on business and is lecturing at the U of Chicago. One married daughter lives in Washington and a son is doing graduate work at Princeton.

**Rose A. Garone Donnelly** is assistant to the superintendent of funded programs in NYC School District 21.

**Marianne A. Crocker** writes that she has gone back to work after retiring and lives in San Rafael, CA.

**Georgia Wight Couden** is in private practice as a family therapist. She has five grown children. Daughter Kathryn is a dancer with the Norwegian Dance Company and has performed in the Kennedy Center, another daughter is an Asst. US Attorney—both in Washington, DC. Another of her children is a counselor with students at Harvard.

**Mollie Allensworth Combes** has written that her two sons survived separate automobile accidents several years ago. The older one is working, is married and has a child, and is getting on with his life. The younger son, Rusty, sustained a head injury when he and some fraternity buddies went for a ride in a truck after drinking. The driver lost control of the car and Rusty was thrown out. He was in a coma for 53 days, after which began a long struggle to learn to walk and talk again. He now addresses high school and college students on the tragedies of drinking and driving. These talks are arranged through The Rusty Combes Foundation, 3541 Greenbrier Drive, Dallas TX 75225-5004, and, Mollie says are very well received. They will travel anywhere to bring this important message to young people. In spite of these serious events in her own life, Mollie writes optimistically about the future: "We are so excited about the new decade and the coming century. That is the great, enormous gift of a Barnard education—the excitement of always learning and always experiencing makes life a joy."

Life is a joy for me, also, although I am experiencing a slight setback in the form of surgery on my right hand to repair a torn tendon. Thank heaven for the word processor—I am tapping this out almost entirely with my left hand! My husband and I visited our son David in Los Angeles in March; he is a director of animation of "The Simpsons," the new Fox Network tv series. We had an interesting tour of the Fox studio and the Klasky-Csupo studio where he works with his team of animators. Our older son is principal engineer of publications at Unisys in Reston, VA. We are looking forward to a summer of visitors from various parts of the world, and then, in September, travel to Budapest, Vienna and Prague. But mainly I look forward to writing on the left side of my brain with my right hand!

ly focusing on earth mothers. She has two children and a grandson. She travels a lot to Asia and this spring to the Fjords and Leningrad.

**Patricia Cecere Doumas** is director of equity investments at GIE Investment Management Corporation in Stamford, CT. She became a Chartered Financial Analyst and received an MBA from NYU five years ago, after only four years back in the work force. Congratulations to Pat. Her achievement rivals the fast track career of many a 30-year-old. Pat gives full credit to her family for their encouragement and help (housekeeping?).

Many other classmates are also leading active lives. **Janet Cherry Spielmann** is senior associate director of admissions at the U of Rochester (NY). Her daughter Kate is an archaeologist on the faculty of Arizona State U and son Christopher is a photographer in Washington, DC.

**Shirley Cohen Heymann**, of Flushing, NY, and her husband have been married for 40 years and are still working. Their two sons live in California and have their own hospitality group firm. The group works with hotel chains.

**Helen Jones Fredericks** lives in Scottsdale, AZ, and writes that she is enjoying the climate, scenery, and the "amazing choice of things to do."

**Sophie Pellegrini Hayes** of NYC, who has her own music management firm, recently arranged an Alice Tully concert for one of her pianists. Sophie's eldest son is in the army and her daughter is with Laura Ashley, the fashion enterprise. The younger son, who has Down's syndrome, lives at "one of the splendid Camp Hill facilities" in upstate NY.

Proud grandparents are: **Natalie Cole Hamilton** and Gordon (CC '50) who have two. Their four daughters are all married. Natalie is teaching at the pre-school in a local Temple in Danvers, MA.

From Bronxville, NY, **Anna Kazanjian Longobardo** writes that she and Guy, who has a doctorate in mechanical engineering from Columbia, were to be grandparents at this writing. In addition, Anna has been elected to be an Alumni Trustee of Columbia University—a wonderful honor!

**Jeanne Verleye Smith** and husband have nine grandchildren and expect another two momentarily. The Smiths themselves had eight children. They live in Honolulu.

Dr. **Cecelia Stiborik Dreyfuss** (Ann Arbor, MI) and her husband also expanded into a larger house where Cecelia writes, paints, gardens, studies piano, and entertains. Their grandsons are in Ann Arbor and in Oakland, CA.

Two classmates who have retired from the education establishment are: **Phyllis Abrams Glass** and **Elizabeth Peterson Pearson**. Phyllis retired after 31 years as a teacher in NYC. Phyllis and Sol have one

son, Jay, who is in traffic engineering. They look forward to travel and Phyllis hopes to do volunteer work with a cancer center. "Petie" retired from her position as an elementary school principal in Cincinnati and is now enjoying herself keeping fit, swimming at the local Y, and spending more time at her cottage in Canada.

**Helen McShane** is still going strong in her 41st year in the NYC school system; her "major professional interest" has been the education of the above average student.

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The excitement of 1950's 40th Reunion started the moment we walked on campus and perused the list of classmates who said they would be there. Seventy-one in all at Friday luncheon, we cheered Ellen Futter's statement that Barnard will erect no financial tollgates for admission and were delighted at the special tribute for **Irma Socci Moore**, 1950's own, for her outstanding work as director of alumnae affairs. Following lunch was a panel discussion devoted to a look at the sweeping changes in Eastern Europe.

At the class dinner, held in the Hewitt Dining Hall, **Marjorie Lange** distributed a summary of the responses to the class questionnaire.

Following dinner, **Virginia Potter Held** led a spirited discussion on "Whither Women's Rights." Those who stayed on campus were housed in new Centennial Hall and took full advantage of the lounge at the end of the floor, where we talked late into the night.

Saturday brought campus tours after a buffet breakfast, part II of the discussion on Eastern Europe, and luncheon, at which **Mary Gordon** '71 was presented with the Woman of Achievement Award. Following a choice of viewing fencing and karate demonstrations or a theatre and dance sampler, members of the class adjourned to the home of **Vilma Mairo Bornemann** and her husband for cocktails,

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It has been a long time since you heard from me. Please notice my new address. At a time when many of us are retiring and moving into smaller quarters, I have changed fields and moved to a house twice the size of the previous one. My husband, Tom, and I are enjoying the rural atmosphere of Hunterdon County, with our asparagus bed and view of the mountains. After more than 25 years in medical libraries in metropolitan NJ, I am now director of a small public library in a small town (Washington) in the next county (Warren), dealing with best sellers, the town council, intellectual freedom issues, summer reading programs, etc., or as one friend says, the "real world." We're not sure which of us is going to change first.

**Marion Hausner Pauck**, whose home is in Palo Alto, CA, has been elected a non-resident member of the Cosmopolitan Club of New York.

**Nicole Weil Bigar** is a painter and sculptor current-



followed by dinner at the West End. Long distance honors went to *Janna Bush Rogow*, India, *Genevieve Wightman Scollar*, Germany, and *Marilyn Miller Flitterman*, Portugal.

Class members who attended Reunion, in addition to those named above, were *Carolyn Kimmelfeldt Balleisen*, *Mary Adams Blank*, *Iris Roven Blumenthal*, *Marilyn Winter Bottjer*, *Elaine Springberg Brase*, *Sue Morehouse Breen*, *Barbara Dawson Briller*, *Carolyn Ogden Brotherton*, *Betty Sanders Buchsbaum*, *Jean Scheller Cain*, *Susan Bullard Carpenter*, *Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum*, *Elizabeth Richards Chisolm*, *Mary Huntington Cornish*, *Betty Mullen Cosgrove*, *Dorothy Clark Culver*, *Dorothy Dillon Eweson*, *Beverly Beck Fuchs*, *Noelle McDonough Fuerstman*, *Tamara Clement Gianis*, *Gail Gould*, *Ruth Enders Greenamyer*, *Barbara Moskowitz Gunther*, *Zoan Fox Hessmer*, *Christina Lammers Hirschhorn*, *Alice Sterling Honig*, *Zelma McCormick Huntoon*, *Barbara Gaddy Judd*, *Martha Greene Lewis*, *Rita Graham Lofink*, *Eleanor Peters Lubin*, *Ann Gunning Magee*, *Maureen McCann Miletta*, *Carol Steinhorst Mucci*, *Marie Noyes Murray*, *Mary Carroll Nelson*, *Charlotte Grantz Neumann*, *Winifred Evers Pardo*, *Florence Sadoff Pearlman*, *Gloria Spamer Rennert*, *Josephine Nicastro Ronnow*, *Marguerite Maier Rothschild*, *Anne Modr Shafqat*, *Patricia Stark Shapiro*, *Cecile Singer*, *Myra Koh Sobel*, *Bernice Fiering Solomon*, *Adele Estrin Stein*, *Hannah Dunitz Stein*, *Silvia Pfeiffer Tenenbaum*, *Esther Mendelsohn Thaïler*, *Roselin Seider Wagner*, *Jane Feuer Wallace*, *Yolanda Pyles Wesely*, and the two of us.

We have pulled together our notes and conferred by phone. We do note that several husbands came to Reunion. We greet them but regret that we did not note to whom they belonged! There is much class news, which will be included in the next issue of Class Notes, but your new class correspondents look forward to receiving even more.

**51** *Marisa M. Hagan  
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Plenty of news this issue, but some of it should rather be called "olds." Be patient: if you send updates to the College with your annual gift, I don't get it right away. Some of these items date from December. Too, my deadline is incredibly early (I write this in May!). So, in no particular order:

*Nani Lengyel Ranken* and her husband have retired to Novato, CA, about 25 miles north of San Francisco, and are enjoying the leisure and the sun.

*Margaret Farrell Kruse*, a member of the Township Council of Piscataway, NJ, traveled to Egypt with the

Barnard group.

*Elna Loscher (Okin) Robbins* works for AT&T as operations analysis manager, engineering. Two of her daughters are attorneys and one is an environmental scientist; son David is still a student.

*Eugenie Wagner Bolger* has joined the ranks of the grandmothers among us. When husband Bill cut back on his work load, Eugenie left the business world completely and is studying painting at the Art Students League.

*Nancy Kamin Schlossberg* has published her first trade book, *Overwhelmed: Coping With Life's Ups and Downs*. She says that it was fun.

*Blanche Frenning Strater* works as a construction and facilities manager and in her spare time keeps busy as a Planning and Zoning Inlands Wetlands Commissioner and Chairman of the Republican Town Committee in Coventry, CT. She has two granddaughters.

*Gertruda Brooks Lushington* still enjoys her job as financial manager and secretary to the organist/choirmaster at the Second Congregational Church in Greenwich, CT. Speaking of grandchildren, these are the names of hers: are they classy or are they not? Margaret (Maggie) Brooks Barber and Peter Vroom Lushington!

*Janet Heller* was coordinator of a major international conference held in Baltimore in June on "The Future of the Industrial City."

*Joan Gilbert Peyser's* book *Bernstein: A Biography* is now available in eight languages. She is working on a biographical work on Gershwin for Simon and Schuster, for publication in 1992. Daughter *Kami Seligman* '73, pediatric cardiologist and mother of a 3-year-old girl, is happily anticipating the birth of a boy this summer.

*Alice Kraissel Michel* just completed her 27th year of teaching chemistry at River Dell High School in Oradell, NJ. Her five grandchildren range from age 5 to 14.

*Mae Dunn Yih* continues to serve in the Oregon legislature; she first took office in 1977 and since 1983 has been a member of the State Senate.

**52** *Millicent Lieberman Greenberg  
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*Marilyn Rich Rosenblatt* coordinated the first annual Environmental Awards Luncheon of the City Club of NY in celebration of Earth Day 1990.

*Marietta Dunston Moskin* reports that her teenage/young adult *Biography of Margaret Thatcher* will soon be published. Best wishes on your



daughter's graduation from Mt. Sinai Medical School.

I am happy to announce that my tuition days are finally over. My son Sanford graduated from Emory Law School in May and will be an associate in the NY office of Gaston & Snow. My older son, Jonathan, will be starting a residency program in anesthesiology at Mt. Sinai Hospital.

*Alice (Elly) Ribbink-Goslinga*, who moved to the States recently, writes that she decided she is more European than she thought and belongs in The Netherlands after all. Her new address is: Laan Van Clingendael 80, 2597 CE Den Haag, The Netherlands.

*Joanne Fisher Gobran* has been active in local politics and recently ran on the Democratic ticket for Supervisor of Upper Makefield, PA. Joanne lives in New Hope and has served on the Upper Makefield Planning Commission, Solid Waste Committee and Democratic Committee.

*Nancy Isaacs Klein* has been appointed the first Orthodox Outreach Chairperson of the Yonkers Jewish Community Center. Nancy is a longtime member of the JCC's Board of Governors as well as an active member of the South Yonkers Orthodox Jewish Community. She visits Israel yearly to see her son and daughter-in-law and three grandchildren in Rehovot. She also has 11 grandchildren in the US!

*Rosalie Landres Sadowsky* writes of a series of career moves that have made life interesting for her family. After years of study in literature, philosophy, and music, Rosalie finds herself on the faculty at Albert Einstein College of Medicine as director of academic affairs in the Dept. of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. Husband Donald is now a researcher in behavioral sciences and a professor at Einstein; daughter Ann Mia, onetime bio major, has a master's in music from San Francisco Conservatory, and son Jake abandoned Near Eastern Studies to enter high-tech retailing in Atlanta.

Another of our classmates at Einstein is Dr. *Ruth Levy Gottesman*, a specialist in learning disabilities who has been elected a trustee of Teachers College. A resident of Rye, she is associate professor of pediatrics and director of psychoeducational services of the Children's Evaluation & Rehabilitation Center of the Rose F. Kennedy Center. Ruth was one of the developers of the Einstein Assessment of School-Related Skills, a screening test to detect learning disabilities. She is co-author of *Helping the Child With Learning Disabilities: A School Volunteer's Guide* and *Helping the Learning Disabled Child: A Guide for Classroom Teachers*. Ruth has also published articles in many journals involving psychology and medicine.

*Eunice Messler* moved from North Carolina to Portland, ME, and is director of Westbrook College-Maine Medical Center Nursing Program.

*Mona Hoo Eldridge* wrote from London to let us know that she recently completed *In Search of A Prince: My Life with Barbara Hutton*, a biography of the heir to the FW Woolworth fortune, for whom she once worked. Mona retired early from her lecturing job and is now writing a biography of her father, who died in 1972 after a long career as a Chinese diplomat and international civil servant.

**53** *Stephanie Lam Basch  
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A sad note about *Kim Rollins Stapleton*, who was killed when her purse was snatched on Park Avenue and 92nd Street in NYC. She is survived by her husband, Daniel, three daughters, one grandson, and a sister. She owned an antiques store in Brownsburg, VT, and had served on the boards of the Yorkville Youth Council and the Lexington Children's Center.

*Solange Rosenblum Jaffe* writes of her children: daughter Dr. *Meryl Jaffe Hurwich* '78 is living in Jerusalem with her husband, Adam, and their daughters, Talia and Leah; son Michael and his wife, Susan, also live in Israel with their children, Ilan and Tamar.

Last fall, on her way to California, *Susan Sider Rennert* detoured to visit with *Ruth Ann Curtis Duque*

in Lamoni, Iowa. Ruth teaches at Graceland College. Susan was on her way to visit her daughter Melinda at Pritzker College. She also has a 16-year-old, Nina, who will soon be starting the college search. She writes: "It's exhausting being an older mother—also fabulous!"

**Caroline Eagan Gaynor** is a partner with Ruiz & Gaynor, a marine construction outfit specializing in houseboats.

**Felice Dresner**, president of the Barnard Club of Los Angeles, wrote of a highly successful Centennial Celebration held out there that was attended by President Futter and her husband, Vice President Christine Royer, and our classmate, **Elise Alberts Pustilnik**, who served as NY facilitator of the event. The club presented the college with a check for \$2,000.

While watching the MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour last March 28th, I saw **Phoebe Marr** taking part in a discussion on nuclear weapons in Iraq. She was introduced as an expert analyst of the Middle East and the author of several books on the subject.

An update regarding Security on Campus, Inc., a group founded and run by **Connie Benjamin Clery**, her husband, Howard, and their sons. The US House of Representatives passed their bill, The Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act, in an uncontested vote. It is now in the Senate, where it is designated S.580. The Clerys were invited to the White House as guests of President Bush and were the focus of an article in *People* magazine.

Another admirable organization founded by a classmate is the Laurie Strauss Leukemia Foundation. Herb and **Evie Iton Strauss** have announced the foundation's first grants for leukemia research and have also founded a lecture series at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. The annual benefit concert for the foundation will be held at Alice Tully Hall on Sept. 14, with Judy Collins as host and stars such as Maureen McGovern contributing their services. (The address for the foundation is 30 Park Avenue, NY 10016.)

Our sympathy goes to **Alice Aaronson Zlotnick** and her family on the death of her mother, **Millicent Lutbetkin Aaronson** '15 this past January. Alice is an artist who now focuses on monoprints in which she often incorporates three dimensional elements and metallic collage. Her works are generally based on religious themes and were most recently exhibited, under the title "A Graphic Midrash," at Yeshiva U Museum in NY.

**54** *Marcia Musciano Bernstein  
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Congratulations to **Myriam Morgenstern Sarachik** on her election as chair-elect of the nominating committee of the American Physical Society. Myriam is a physics professor at CCNY where she has been involved in research in experimental condensed matter physics.

Word from **Ruth Lerman Fitzpatrick** is that she thoroughly enjoyed a 2-month stay in France with her husband, who "is making wonderful paintings."

**Georgia Steigerwald Schwaar**'s daughter Teresa, a senior at UC-San Diego, has been designated All American at the close of her 14th year of championship soccer. She assisted the winning goal in the Triton NCAA Division III national first place victory in November.

**Lucy Corwin Lunger** played solo viola in the Staten Island Symphony's 10th anniversary concert in February. She has a degree in musicology from Columbia, is a member of the NJ Symphony, and often joins the viola section of the NY Philharmonic. Lucy is married to clarinetist James Corwin and is the mother of two boys and one girl.

Word from **Renee Shakin Rakow** is that her son Joel was married in November to Jane Goldstein. He is a radiologist at Hackensack (NJ) Hospital.

It is my sad duty to report the death of **Ann Jezer Avins** on December 29, 1989. **Joan Fields Cohen** on October 31, 1989, and **Rochel Stein** on April 20, 1989. The class sends sympathy to their families.

We are also sorry to report the death of **Barbara Kauder Cohen**'s husband, Gene, this past March. Our



## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA AWARD NOMINATION

One of the most rewarding aspects of participation in alumnae affairs at Barnard is the opportunity to call attention to the women among us who have achieved distinction in their chosen field of work and/or in service to their communities. Past recipients of the Distinguished Alumna Award include Elizabeth Janeway '35, Helen Ranney '41, Mirra Komarovsky '26, Sally Falk Moore '43, Hortense Calisher '32, Elizabeth Sarcka '17, Edith Spivack '29, Muriel Fox '48, Doris Milman '38, Jacqueline Barton '74, Celine Marcus '30, Dame Anne Warburton '46, Ellen V. Futter '71, and Louise Rosenblatt '25.

Award recipients are chosen by the Awards Committee of the Associate Alumnae. If you know of a suitable candidate, please do not assume that someone else will submit her name to the committee, or that "they must know about her already."

Names should be sent to the Office of Alumnae Affairs by October 10, 1990. All nominations are confidential.

**To: Barnard College, Office of Alumnae Affairs, 3009 Broadway, New York, NY 10027-6598**

I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
name \_\_\_\_\_ class (if known)

for the Distinguished Alumna Award. The area(s) in which she has attained distinction include

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\_\_\_\_\_ I can provide additional information if needed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_



condolences to Barbara and her daughters, **Sara** '85, **Becky Stewart** '86, and **Leah Chatinover** '79. Barbara is the author of 32 children's stories and novels for young adults. Her latest book, *The Long Way Home*, is due out in October.

We received a wonderful letter from **Dorothy Cohn Feldman**, who agreed with so many that our Reunion last year was "wonderful." She adds, "Do assure the '54 women who did not appear that we who did are not superwomen, that we brought our wrinkles and extra pounds, and had wonderful conversations and fun."

Congratulations to **Audrey Scheinblum Kosman** and Walter on the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Debby. I have had the happy task of arranging the travel plans to the wedding in Seattle for **Herberta Benjamin Schacher** and husband Don and for **Mickey Otani Weller**. It should be a truly happy gathering.

My own family continues to grow and prosper: daughter Laura is a third grade teacher in Chapel Hill, NC, and preparing to visit New Zealand this summer with a teacher group; son Philip continues to enjoy his job as director of Diamond View Suites (luxury boxes) with New York Mets and his son Tyler continues to be gorgeous and brilliant at the age of 2. By the time you read this I will have been to London, Kenya, San Diego, Boston and Egypt between April and July. Neil has appeared on BBC radio and local television as well as several national papers as an expert on the violence associated with the Greyhound strike.

Please keep your notes coming: they make wonderful reading.

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How exhilarating it was to see so many classmates, and looking very well, at Reunion on May 18-19! About 50 women traveled from far and near to celebrate our 35th, renew friendships, and rediscover Barnard. Everyone who attended the cocktail party (many with spouses) on Saturday evening had a wonderful time at the Riverside Drive home of **Duane Lloyd Patterson**. Thank you, Duane and Rem, for your gracious hospitality.

Our warm appreciation goes to the committee members, whose hard work culminated in this successful and meaningful Reunion.

Happily, I have received such a large volume of letters that space will not permit printing all of them in this issue. Please understand and be patient. Your news will be published in a future *Alumnae Magazine* if it does not appear here. And keep on sending in your correspondence because we love hearing from each of you. (By now you should also have received a post-Reunion newsletter in the mail.)

The following includes news from some classmates who attended Reunion: **Janet Moorhead Dotson**, Evanston, IL, has added expertise in nutritional

counseling to her work as a therapist to individuals and groups. Husband Arthur has his own business in steel sales; son John is a freshman at the U of Wisconsin, Oshkosh.

**Renee Altman Fleischer**, MD, is a family internist with the LaGuardia Medical Group in New Hyde Park, NY; serves as medical director of a methadone maintenance program for NYC heroin addicts; and became board-certified in geriatrics as well as internal medicine. "Since I am rapidly approaching senior status, I thought I should prepare myself," Renee wrote. (Any good advice for the rest of us?) Husband Eliot is retired; son Corey, an electrical engineer, is with Aerospace Corp. in California; daughter Deborah, married to Michael Nussbaum in 1986, graduated first in the class of 1989 from Hahnemann Medical School and is a resident in internal medicine at Graduate Hospital, Philadelphia; son Joshua is studying fire protection engineering at the U of Maryland in College Park.

**Doris Joyner Griffin**, who lives in Ramsey, NJ, received two grants this past year and also two wonderful awards, all from the State of NJ. She was selected for the \$3000 Governor's Award for the outstanding educator and also received an award as the most outstanding educational media specialist in New Jersey.

**Barbara Brody Heyman** completed her doctoral program in music at CUNY in 1989. Her dissertation, "Samuel Barber: a Documentary Study of His Works," will be published in 1991 by Oxford University Press.

**Nancy Leonard Jalet** works part-time at NYU and also edits a community newspaper published for residents of Morningside Gardens, just northeast of Barnard and rather heavily populated by Barnard grads.

**Sandra Perlmutter Lerner**, living in Newton, MA, has "retired" from the Malden school system where she was the school psychologist for 15 years. Sandy's new flexible schedule permits more time for her private practice, husband Lou Levine (CC '52), and their expanding family. All three children are married and there are two grandchildren so far.

**Judith Moftey Marshall** had done two-piano and duet work over the years, while working as an assistant to lawyers in the areas of probate, estate planning and tax. She plans to begin law school in September. Judy has been living in the Lansing, MI, area since July '89, when husband Dick joined the Michigan State U medical faculty as director of the neonatal division. Judy has two daughters: Linda 26 will be entering medical school and Kathy 24 will start law school this fall.

Congratulations to Dr. **Beth Swartzman Schatzman** of Short Hills, NJ, on receiving her DSW from Columbia. Her dissertation title was "The Effect of Midlife Divorce on Young Adult and Late Adolescent Children." Son Michael was awarded his doctorate in psychology in August 1989.

**Hessy Levinson Taft** continues to work for the Educational Testing Service in Princeton, currently as text development project manager for all College Board Achievement tests. She retains her responsibilities for CB chemistry and biology tests. Last August Hessy accompanied husband Earl to an international congress on mathematics in Novosibirsk. A fascinating month in the Soviet Union also included visits to Leningrad, Odessa and Tbilisi. Hessy observes that "glasnost is working and perestroika is not." Both her children live in the California Bay area; Nina 27 is a graduate student in electrical engineering at UC-Berkeley; Alex 24 is a graduate of UCLA working in San Francisco as a financial investor for Paine-Webber.

**Catherine Tsacalotos Theoharides** retired as principal of the William B. Ward School in New Rochelle, NY. Cathy's school was given national recognition in 1988 for "Excellence in Education." She is now an adjunct professor at Manhattanville and Iona Colleges.

News and regards from some who could not come to Reunion: **Sylvia (Tsvia) London Doron** wrote from Israel where she has lived with husband Dov since 1953. She has four married sons, one daughter, and ten grandchildren! One son is a high school teacher of Bible, Jewish history and philosophy; another son

is at Hebrew U studying chemistry. Sylvia's address is Kibbutz Geva, Israel 18915.

**Pat Cicogna Ferme** wrote from Milano, Italy, where she teaches English at the U of Milan and at a large bank. Pat comments that "everybody wants to learn English since it will be the 'lingua franca' of European Federation which will soon be upon us." She also does translations. In her "spare time," Pat works for the Unione Donna Italiane, which is trying to set up a House for Battered Women, and enjoys biking. Her husband retired early because of asthma; four children at home include twin sons of 20, a 14-year-old, and one "returnee"—daughter Sondra 26 is back in Milan teaching English at Berlitz after receiving her degree in art history and living in Boston for several years.

**Elizabeth Hejno Norden** has lived in the DC area for the past 30 years and is director of a pre-school in McLean, VA. Husband Stan (CC '54) works for the US government; son Chris is at the U of Wisconsin working on a doctorate in English; daughter Anne is at McGill in Montreal, completing her MA in international relations.

**Elin Brown Ozdemir**, in Palm Beach, FL, is director of development with the Arthritis Foundation. She remains active in theatre in her spare time as board member of the Lake Worth Playhouse.

**Laurel Kagan Rabin**'s daughter Mara graduated from Barnard in 1989 *cum laude* with honors in art history. And so the torch is passed—

**Dr. Carol Shufro Sager** enclosed with her letter an article from *The Chicago Sun Times* which described some of her outstanding achievements. Carol served as supt. of schools in her home state of Massachusetts and in Illinois. She currently teaches at Northern IL U and designs corporate educational partnerships and training programs through Sager Educational Enterprises, a business she started 1½ years ago. She has been involved with programs to fight drug and alcohol abuse in schools nationwide.

Daughter Susan is an MD, married and mother of a one-year-old son; son Steven is a lawyer; son Matthew, who graduated from Juilliard, is a cellist/entrepreneur.

**Elizabeth Stackelberg Shulman** teaches music, grades K-8, in public schools in VT and NH. Her eldest son lives in California and his twin sister in New Haven, CT; second daughter, a sophomore at the U of VT, will spend 1990-91 in Canterbury, England, as an exchange student; youngest son is a high school sophomore, enjoying playing the trumpet.

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By now you should have received a letter from the committee for our 35th Reunion (that's right, 35th!), soliciting your ideas and interest in this event. If you misplaced the letter, or don't recall receiving it, it's not too late to register your opinion regarding plans for the weekend—write to **Alayne Reilly Brown**, 1 Washington Sq. Village (PHE), New York, NY 10012. In any case, mark your calendar now for May 17-18, 1991, and plan to be there!

On the news front, **Roberta Wallace Longsworth** lives in Allentown, PA, and is employed as director of lay ministries by a large suburban Lutheran congregation. She is developing a volunteer system to utilize the time and abilities of the church's members more effectively. This spring her son Gordon received a BA from College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, ME, and her daughter Margaret received her MS in rehabilitation counseling from Penn State.

Also completing a degree this year was **Reva Schwartz Wiseman**—"finally," she says. "This was a lot like having a baby but I feel as if I've been in labor for three months. The new addition: PhD in social work from Barry University (Miami Shores, FL).



Length—209 pp. Weight—a ton. Name—*Success and Failure in Post Divorce Parenting*. Sex—gender neutral.

Also in Florida, Diane Woolfe Camber, executive director of the Bass Museum in Miami Beach, was named a *Chevalier des Arts et Lettres* by the French government, in recognition of her work on behalf of Franco-American cultural cooperation.

This fall *Cathy Comes Haight* will have two sons at West Point—David a plebe and Allen starting his third year. Daughter Cathi, David's twin, will enter Kenyon College, where she hopes to contribute to its successful swim program, having been a YMCA and high school All-American swimmer. Cathy is an associate editor and deputy chief of reporters at *Fortune* magazine.

We suggest you sit down before reading on. We have the very sad obligation to report to you the deaths of two classmates in the past few months, both due to breast cancer. *Lily Lonquist Johnson* died in April in Arkansas, where she and her family had lived for the past several years. Friends may wish to write to her husband, the Rev. Arthur Johnson (PO Box 300, Tyronza, AR 72386), or her sister, Diana Wray (30 Highridge Road, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549). She is also survived by her mother, daughter Rebecca, son Daniel, and two grandchildren. Her older son, Philip, died in February.

On May 31, Dr. *Ora Mendelsohn Rosen* died at her home in Manhattan. Recently elected to the National Academy of Sciences, she had been on the staff of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center since 1984 and had been doing pioneering research in cell biology. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Jerard Hurwitz, also a research professor at Sloan-Kettering, and two sons.

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We were glad to hear from *Barbara Coleman*, who has been "lost" for a while. She lives in Chevy Chase, MD, and is working as an editor at AARP.

*Barbara Loeb Gordon*, author of *I'm Dancing As Fast As I Can* and *Jennifer Fever*, was a guest speaker at the "Writers on Writing" workshop at Barnard in June. Barbara has also written a novel, *Defects of the Heart*, but found that she works far more comfortably in non-fiction.

*Jane Pomerance Hermann* has been much in the news lately, following her appointment to be codirector of American Ballet Theatre this past March. She had joined ABT in September, as executive director, having served as the director of presentations for the Metropolitan Opera Assn. since 1978.

*Marilyn Melton Brooks*, an investment vp at Prudential Bache Securities, writes from Phoenix that she is membership vp for AAUW and is active in feminist groups. She gets "large pleasure" from her four sons and four grandchildren.

In the fall of 1989, Dr. *Marie A. Caputi* moved from Wisconsin to Miami to assume her new post as director, graduate and continuing education, at St. Thomas U. She is "enjoying the life and challenges of Florida."

From Connecticut newspapers we've learned that *Paula Zeleznik Geller*, president of Geller, Grace & Associates, Stamford, has been named to the steering committee of the Youth Leadership Conference, a leadership program for teenagers. Paula is a member of the board of the Entrepreneurial Women's Network and the Fairfield County Public Relations Assn.

*Elizabeth Pfaelzer Grenald* was remarried in December 1989 and no longer works so she can travel with her husband, an architectural lighting consultant.

Despite asserting "all very dull," *Susan A. Meyer* writes about diving near Honduras and Belize in search of the perfect coral reef, exploring 30 feet under for the entrance to the harbor at Caesarea in Israel, "scratching and clawing" her way on to the fire squad of Montgomery County, MD, and finding another "Man in My Life" after her divorce. To

keep herself and her two dogs and one cat fed, Susan writes and edits. She also gardens, and concludes, "Having this venerable Wang is wonderful, wonderful!"

*Sondra Alperstein Rothberg*, in Guilford, CT, informs us that son Michael graduated from Swarthmore in 1988 and daughter Madeline from Harvard-Radcliffe this June.

*Barbara Salant* was chosen as "Teacher of Excellence" by the NYS English Teachers Council. Barbara still commutes from Manhattan to teach at Glen Cove HS because she loves "living in the 'Big Apple.'" She is also vp and secretary of the board of managers of her place of residence, the Lexington 54 Condominium, and is on the board of a "wonderful consumer advocate group," FRIA (Friends and Relatives of the Institutionalized Aged), which monitors nursing homes and provides information about care of the aged.

*Judy Kaplan Schreiber*, still head of the English dept. in an Orange County (CA) high school, has been married to Bill for 30 years. They shared a soda at Hartley Chemists 31 years ago, and life has been "one great adventure ever since." As the Newport Beach Harbor Chaplain, Bill was featured on a CBS evening news special about the resurgence of marriage in America. Judy writes that "most of our weekend social life is aboard luxury yachts dancing and eating following a wedding he performs."

*Susan Kennedy Storms* recently married Donald Bruns. Sue taught at Roosevelt High in Portland, OR, for ten years and now works for the school board of Palm Beach County, FL, in the dept. of facility design.

Thanks for your news and your interesting letters, which I wish could have been printed in full.

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An absolutely delightful time was had by classmates who attended the tea last February at the home of *Joan Sweet Jankell*. The tea had been organized by Joan and *Barbara Barre Weintraub*, and all classmates had been invited. Those who were there were Joan and husband Dick, Barbara and husband Gerry, *Janet Lowe Gerstman*, *Rhoda Kurz Gruen*, *Susan Israel Mager* and husband Elliot, *Alice Maisner Robbins* and husband Stan, and *Elaine Postelneck Yamin* and husband Mike. Classmates who had expected to attend and were unable to do so were *Eleanor Cohen Burstein*, *Marna Press Dann*, *Joan Kent Finkelstein*, *Benita Cooper Marks*, and *Hanna Razdow Simon*. Several classmates, including *Karlann Puerschner Brenner* in South Carolina, sent "regrets."

As at all our reunions, conversation was easy, good-humored, nostalgic, interesting, and accompanied by a great deal of laughter. Although the number of people who attended is hardly a mandate to continue this type of activity, the response from everyone there was so positive that another tea is already being planned—for shortly after Labor Day. We plan to hold one tea a year thereafter until our 35th reunion in 1993, and hope more members of our class will come to the next one.

*Harriet Heit Sandmeier* is executive director of the Orange County (NY) Cerebral Palsy Assn., which provides outpatient diagnostic and treatment services, pre-school programs, respite, and family support to the physically and/or developmentally disabled. She is also involved with husband Max in his Cornwall-on-Hudson restaurant. Called Max's, the restaurant features Continental American cuisine. Daughter Beth, recently married, is an attorney with the NY State Education Department; daughter Meg is living and working in Rochester; and son Greg is a graduate student with a teaching assistantship in aerospace engineering at Syracuse U.

*Cassandra Morley Klyman* writes: "President Milli- cent McIntosh told us mid-life could be great and she was right. Happy, successful sons and a marriage headed for a 30th anniversary are the primary ingredients. Barnard prepared me for the juggling act that kept career and home going strong. In particular,

zoology and philosophy courses created a readiness in me to be very excited about the 1990s as the 'Decade of the Brain' and to push for legislation in Michigan to have health benefits extended on a par with all medical claims for bipolar (e.g., manic-depressive) illness as has been done in California. Will let you know when I succeed." As chairman of the legislative committee of the Michigan Psychiatric Society, she was happy to report that another piece of legislation she pushed for—the "duty to warn" legislation—has passed in Michigan, the 12th state to pass it.

*Judith Chanin Glass* received an award from the Beyond War Foundation for her significant contributions to the peace movement as executive director of the Interfaith Center to Reverse the Arms Race.

*Carol Marks Sicherman* writes: "I've published two books on the Kenyan writer Ngugi wa Thiong'o—one a bibliography and the other a source book entitled *Ngugi wa Thiong'o: The Making of a Rebel*. Rebels nearer home are my daughters Noemi and Miriam, the latter (and older) an Oberlin freshperson and both veterans of Washington marches."

*Carol Schott Sterling* is serving her third year as president of UNIMA-USA, an international organization of puppeteers in America. Carol writes: "Our mission is to foster international understanding through mutual love and interest in puppetry. In this capacity, I have represented the USA at puppetry conferences in Japan. In the summer of '88, I conducted educational puppetry workshops for Japanese teachers, librarians, parents, and children. I have been invited back to Japan in the summer of '90 to conduct more workshops."

*Judith Eckman-Jadow* is "ensconced in a brownstone house in Manhattan." She is in private practice (psychotherapy and psychoanalysis) in NYC, Riverdale, and Scarsdale, and is also continuing to work with mothers and infants in a group setting. Her 11-year-old daughter is at the Dalton School and loves it.

*Anita Sharfstein Greenberg*'s older daughter Lisa earned a master's in speech pathology from Teachers College in 1989. Younger daughter Mimi is enrolled in the Columbia School of Social Work and will complete her master's in 1991.

We are very saddened to report the death of two classmates: *Antoinette Willner Clark*, who leaves daughters Diane and Sharon; and *Jenifer Ballard Ramberg*, who leaves husband Richard.

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*Danise Blue Chandler* recently joined a teachers' research group that will be "revolutionizing" teaching methods for the 21st century. Daughter Shana 20 is "tearing up the campus at UCLA and son Spencer is an award-winning actor/performer."

*Miriam Klein Shapiro* directs the Principals' Service/Resource Center and is an education specialist for the Westchester (NY) Board of Jewish Education. She is also a visiting asst. professor at Jewish Theological Seminary.

In the last column we reported, correctly, that *Erica Harth* received a fellowship from NEH; unfortunately, we reported her title incorrectly. She is a professor (not associate professor) of French and comparative literature at Brandeis. She also received a fellowship from the American Council of Learned Societies for her work on gender and rationality in early modern France. Erica spent this past academic year at the Bunting Institute at Radcliffe.

We were pleased to hear from *Lillian Wishnia Rand* after a long hiatus, but expect to be hearing more about her: Lillian recently took up writing in a serious way and has already sold an original screenplay to a fine Hollywood producer; it is a comedic drama, "I'm O.K. — But She Isn't!" Two more works are in progress. Meanwhile, her eldest daughter,

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Marcelle, is working in NY State government, dealing with public policy and job training; daughter Victoria has one more year to an MD at Cornell Medical College; and youngest daughter, Rebecca, just graduated from the U of Michigan.

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About one-third of our class showed up for our 30th Reunion. People who attended events at Barnard on Friday were: *Andree Abecassis, Eleanor Kagle Albert, Leonie Wagenheim Aron, Susan Sweetser Bank, Donna Richmond Barnard, Judy Barbarasch Berkun, Olga Shniper Boikess, Diana Shapiro Bowstead, Carol Stein Carol, Priscilla Dunn Carter, Jane Nadler Cohen, Marion Cantor Cohen, Carmen McKenna Drucker, Edna Selan Epstein, Carole Hutcheon Escobar, Beverlee Armstrong Everett, Anne Miodownik Fried, Mary Gallagher, Judith Granich Goode, Judith Roses Greenwald, Hadassah Neiman Gurfein, Wilma Solomon Harrison, Berl Mendelson Hartman, Carolyn Shapiro Heilweil, Joy Hochstadt, Rosellen Brown Hoffman, Helene Rund Isaacs, Barbara Kent Jacobs, Linda Kaufman Kerber,*

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The festivities were spectacularly organized by a committee including (in alpha order) Anne Fried, Dassy Gurfein, Berl Hartman, Joy Hochstadt, Carol Lane, Libby Miller, Lucille Niepoort, Andrea Rosen, Monica Strauss, and Sydney Weinberg. Identifying us with our yearbook pictures brought smiles in spite of reminding us of our advancing age. Berl should also be thanked for the tremendous amount of work she put into gathering data and producing a 180-page book of memories entitled *Our Lives at Fifty*. Entertainment following dinner included a medley of songs written by Judy Berkun. Lucille Niepoort read selections from the convocation address given by Mrs. McIntosh in our senior year. This led to much discussion which continued into the Saturday events.

Thanks go also to *Myrna Levy*, who was our class president for the past five years, and to *Muriel Lederman Storie*, who has been class correspondent.

We continued our Reunion celebration with a buffet dinner at Joy Hochstadt's Central Park West apartment on Saturday evening. There were about 40 classmates—including some who had not participated on Friday—and perhaps a dozen husbands. A good time was had by all.

During our discussions, the topic which got the most attention was: what was President McIntosh really trying to tell us? Was it a very feminist message, indicating that each of us women could surely use our Barnard education to make an important contribution to the world? Or was she telling us that we had first an obligation to nurture a family, and then to use our talents for various outside-of-home pursuits? Interpretations of her words varied widely.

Another much talked-about topic was why only 30% of our class expresses support for Barnard through monetary contributions. This low level of participation doesn't seem to reflect what is perceived as a high level of gratitude for the education and experience that was Barnard College for so many of us.

Your new correspondents are anxious to hear from all of you, not only with personal news but, perhaps more important, also with your thoughts on the questions touched on at Reunion, and on matters that affect our lives at 50+. Please let us hear from you!!

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"You make it sound as if every Barnard graduate is successful and prosperous." Our classmate was objecting to something else, but her complaint might well apply to alumnae classnotes, which sometimes seem to paint a relentlessly rosy picture of life after Barnard—unless and until you learn to read between the lines (as Barnard taught us to do).

A new job. A new home. A thriving child. A new husband: it's all very upbeat, true; but the news may (or may not) imply problems overcome in a former job, a former home, or a former relationship. In reporting the news to Barnard, classmates who have faced and overcome formidable personal and professional problems seem to be suggesting that the resources which were bred into us during our Barnard years have proven useful, even invaluable. With our 30th reunion year approaching, that insight may come into focus for many of us.

As peanut butter sandwiches became less important than college tuition payments, *Mary Varney Rorty* found a part-time job in Charlottesville as a mini-administrator in the local nursing school. She also teaches philosophy in their doctoral program, and likes working with adult learners.

*Judith Gold Stitzel* was recently named a silver medalist in the national identification of distinguished undergraduate teachers by CASE (Council for the Advancement and Support of Education) and was named West Virginia Univ. Professor of the Year. She is in her second year chairing the Women's Centenary, the 100 year anniversary of women's education at the university.

*Joyce Rosman Brenner* coordinated development of a women's studies program at Bar Ilan University School of Social Work in Israel.

*Dorothy Welch Berlind* is now assistant director of undergraduate financial counseling at the U of Pennsylvania. Her son Alexey is headed for St. John's College in NM next fall.

Floral paintings by *Diane Stewart Love* were exhibited at the Café Gallery of the House of Books in Kent, CT, this past winter.

*Susanne Andover Keany* expected to receive her BFA from SUNY-Purchase in May. Her four children are in academic pursuits: Alison (Yale '89) is seeking her master's at U of Chicago; Damian graduated from UC-Berkeley and Courtney from Barnard this year; Sutton is Yale '92.

Watch this space for news of Reunion and pre-Reunion events in 1990 and 1991. So far, committees are

working with Reunion Chair **Dotty Memolo Bhedda** on a questionnaire, a panel presentation and discussion by classmates, a class dinner and a brunch. All help welcome.

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Well, I must say that the response for this issue is the best yet. Thank you, everyone, for calling and contributing to the Class Notes.

**Naomi Steinlight Patz** brought us up to date. She lives in NJ and works in NYC as executive director of the North American Jewish Forum. Older daughter Debby graduated from Harvard-Radcliffe *cum laude*, with a major in history and literature and a minor in women's studies. Younger daughter Aviva is a member of the Barnard class of '92.

From the west coast we hear that **Susan Edelstein Glasser** (no relation) is chief of the ob-gyn department at the West Los Angeles SCPMG where her husband, Bernard, is a vascular surgeon. Their son Laurence is at UC San Diego and 16-year-old daughter Gabrielle is at the Westlake School for Girls.

**Kanakalatha Narasimhan Mukund** lives in Chevy Chase with her husband, Jagannathan; she is a research fellow at the Center for Economic and Social Studies.

**Rosalie Klein Cohen** reports that son Stephen has graduated from Emory and is now a law student at Florida State. (That's in my territory.) Attending Harvard is daughter Meryl, while son Dan is a senior in high school just applying to college.

**Diane Leinwand Zeller**'s daughter **Susan** graduated from Barnard in May, Phi Beta Kappa. Her honors extend back to her junior year when she received the Annette Kar Baxter Memorial Award for distinguishing herself in a particular aspect of women's experience.

**Roz Marshack Gordon** says, "time moves on." She is still vp and general counsel of the Credit Card Bureau at Citicorp. Laurel, her daughter, is working on her master's in education at Antioch of New England. Son Eric is graduating from Cornell and working as a paralegal in Washington, DC, while applying to law school. Jeffrey, the youngest, is a sophomore at Vassar. David is now in charge of CAT scanning and NMR at SUNY-Downstate and maintains a professorship in radiology.

A major theme this year in the life of **Leah Salmanson Dunaief**, and many others of us, is our upcoming 50th birthday. How about some thoughts and ideas on how we all plan to celebrate? As for her professional life, Leah is the owner-publisher of four community weeklies on Long Island's north shore and the biweekly *Homes of North Shore*, and publisher of newspapers for the Suffolk County Bar Association and the Women's Bar Assn. of New York State. Her children are making her poor but rich in pride: the eldest son is an MD-PhD candidate at Columbia P&S and married to Rachel Bork, a wonderful "first daughter"; the second son is a senior at Harvard; and the third son is a sophomore at Colgate. The sad news is that Leah has been a widow for the last 2½ years.

**Kathryn Bloch Horwitz** writes from Denver that she has been promoted to professor of medicine and pathology. Son Phillip plans to attend medical school this fall. Her daughter, Carolyn, is a junior at Brandeis and spent the spring semester in Florence, Italy. Lucky her.

Another proud mother of a Barnard woman is **Harriet Kaye Inselbuch**. Daughter Jessica transferred as a junior from U of Wisconsin. What a thrill!

**Rhoda Scharf Narins** is teaching advanced dermatology at the White Plains Hospital Medical Center in her capacity as associate clinical professor at NYU.

**Janice Wiegan Lieberman** continues to practice psychoanalysis on New York's upper east side. She is also a docent at the Whitney Museum. Son Mark will be entering Harvard Business School, son Evan will be attending the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton.

**Rhea Gaisner** was selected for a Fulbright-Hayes

Summer Seminar for a new program—China's Art in Transition. "Tiananmen Square made it impossible last year" but she was hoping to go in June—to China, Taiwan and Hong Kong, to study how theater is developing in all three Chinas and talk with theater people there.

**Barbara Lovenheim** recently completed a book for William Morrow entitled *Beating the Marriage Odds: When You're Single, Smart—and Over 35*. The book should be out in November.

**Dorothy Lukas Friedlander** has been living in L.A. for 16 years and is teaching in a middle school. She was recently awarded her second NEH grant and is spending the summer at Vanderbilt U. Dorothy is a vegetarian and an animal rights advocate. Her daughter is at UCLA film school, her son just graduated from high school, and her husband works in the "rag" business and "rescues animals on the side." Dorothy is already planning to attend our 30th Reunion in '92.

**Barbara Nolan Cohen** is "still in Minnesota, enjoying the cultured life and invigorating weather." She is acquiring computer skills at the same time that her daughter Ilana is starting to read. Barbara also hopes to make it to our 30th Reunion.

Last April many of our classmates had a wonderful evening at the home of **Gail Alexander Binderman** in Larchmont, NY. **Miranda Kavy** '90 catered the event and those in attendance were: **Rhoda Scharf Narins**, **Deborah Bersin Rubin**, **Gale Zimmerman Fieldman**, **Sandra Ravetz Edlitz**, **Susan Levenson Pringle**, **Harriet Kaye Inselbuch**, **Linda Roth Futterman**, **Maya Rosenfeld Freed**, **Patricia Berko Wild**, **Ellen Willis**, **Ruth Klein Stein**, **Sara Ginsberg Marks**, **Lana Leavitt Rosenfeld**, **Barbara Lovenheim**, **Rosalind Marshack Gordon**, **Vivian Levy Ebersman**, **Roxanne Cohen Feldschuh**, **Suzanne Koppelman Polmar**, **Linda Rosenblum Persily** and **Joan Rezak Sadinoff-Katz**. Although President McIntosh could not attend, the classmates were delighted to receive the following RSVP: "This sounds wonderful, but I'm sorry that my family are arriving that weekend to plant our vegetable garden. I am still in good health (at 91) and do a good deal of traveling. My best wishes to you all."

The last news item is a sad one. Our classmate **Natalie Spassky** passed away in November. Her mother, Mrs. Boris Spassky, lives at 11 East 88th St., #2A, NY 10028.

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**Susan Welber Youdovin** was named vice president of client services by Coleman & Pellet, a public relations firm in Union, NJ. Susan has also been elected to the board of the Public Relations Society of America/NJ Chapter.

**Naomi Schor** recently moved to North Carolina to become William Wannamaker Professor of Romance Studies at Duke University.

**Joan Sherman Freilich** was named assistant vice-president, corporate planning, at Consolidated Edison Co. of New York. She has been at Con Ed since 1978 and previously worked in customer service, accounting research and power generation services.

**Diane Kornblau Acker** writes that her pediatric practice is building nicely and she is involved with the Nassau Pediatric Society and the American Academy of Pediatrics. Diane plans to marry Norbert Haber this summer and they will reside in Roslyn and keep a pied-a-terre on Manhattan's East Side as well as Norbert's country home overlooking the Papakin Reservoir. Diane's younger son, Andy, has won many awards for his environmental research and is trying to decide on colleges. He cofounded the Roslyn Students for Social Responsibility. Diane says she'll miss him when he goes to college but won't suffer the empty nest syndrome.

**Phyllis Ruttenberg Denbo** joined 46 of New

Jersey's leaders as members of Leadership New Jersey's class of 1990. She is executive assistant to the president and director of planning at NJ Institute of Technology. She has worked at all levels of government and most recently was assistant director of research for the NJ State Dept. of Higher Education and staff consultant to the Governor's Commission on Science and Technology. She is active in the Newark Collaboration Group, the Newark Education Council and the Council for Higher Education in Newark. She is also a literacy volunteer.

**Beverly Worth Baron** has reentered pathology following childraising. She became board certified in blood banking/transfusion medicine and is the acting medical director of the U of Chicago blood bank. Her husband is an associate professor in hematology/oncology. They have three children and the oldest is applying to medical school.

**Marian Rosenthal Goldsmith** and her husband, Charley (CC '63), celebrated their 25th anniversary. Their children, Andy 17 and Suzy 15, are in high school. Marian is a gastroenterologist with Kaiser West in Los Angeles. She has been active in local societies and was the first female president of the endoscopy society.

**Connie Brown Demb** is liberal studies coordinator at the U of Toronto's School of Continuing Studies, planning arts and humanities (non-credit) courses. She finds this more fun than working with occupational health and safety and employment problems. Alan is still writing about urban planning, daughter Sarah is in second year at U of British Columbia, and son Jesse is in 12th grade.

**Charlotte Alter Spiegelman** is in private practice in family therapy and has joined the faculty of the NJ Center for Family Studies in Springfield, NJ, where she trains family therapists. She finds it challenging and lots of fun. Her older son, Michael, is at Brandeis and spent his junior year at the U of Madrid. Adam is a freshman at SUNY-Purchase. Husband Arthur is still the New York region correspondent at Reuters. Charlotte says that after 21 years of childraising the empty nest feels very liberating. She and Arthur work crazy hours and wonder when they had time for children. She hopes to see everyone at the next Reunion.

**Inta Austrums Laird** writes that daughter Kristina graduated from Smith last year and son Peter is at Hamilton College.

**Erica Mann Jong**'s latest novel, *Any Woman's Blues*, was published by Harper and Row. She is working on a book about Henry Miller.

**Elinor Drachman** married Arthur Helfman, an attorney in New York, in November. Arthur is the father of **Laura Helfman**, MD '81, who formerly worked at Barnard Student Health Services. Arthur and Elinor formed a partnership, Drachman and Helfman, with offices in White Plains, NY. Elinor focuses on matrimonial and family law while Arthur focuses on real estate, wills, personal injury, employment discrimination, labor and construction law.

**Miriam Stern Gafni** was honored by the American Jewish Congress in Philadelphia and presented with the Louise Waterman Wise Award for her outstanding leadership as a labor attorney and in the Jewish community. She and her husband, the Honorable Abraham J. Gafni, are parents of Jonathan and Rachel '88.

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Renewed contacts through Reunion seem to have been an effective catalyst for the sharing of personal news. To wit: **Bonnie Packer** received her JD in 1977. She does telecommunications law for Pacific Bell and resides in Palo Alto with her husband and 10-year-old son. Also in California is **Shoshanna Sofær**, assistant professor of health services at the UCLA School

of Public Health. She points with pride to the presence of four Barnard women on this faculty.

Also on the West Coast, in Seattle, **Judith Cushman Quick** has a thriving business and family; she and her husband are proud parents of Jennifer 15 and Geoffrey 12. A new job was responsible for **Ina Goldfinger Lieberman's** recent move to Phoenix.

Across the country, **Penny Ohler Markley** and her husband are still running an apple orchard in Maine. This spring found her camped out at the mailbox, reliving with her son Keith the anxiety of the college application process. From Florida, **Daisy Breuer Merey** writes of the opening of her second office for the practice of bariatrics. Daughter Deanne is a Barnard senior and son Andrew a junior in the College of Engineering.

**Susan Romer** was an active participant in many Centennial events because she was back in New York to take a semester at Brooklyn Law School. She has returned to San Francisco where she will complete her studies.

**Bonnie Tocher Clause** is assistant to the director at The Wistar Institute in Philadelphia.

**Renee Cherow-O'Leary** is director of research, magazine group, Children's Television Workshop, while continuing as adjunct professor of communications and public policy at NYU.

**Susan Zatt Weinberg** received her MBA from Pace. Experience in market research at several firms prepared her for a recent move to AB Research Associates Inc. in Norwalk, CT, where she is a senior project director. **Alicia C. Sainer** earned her MSW from Hunter College School of Social Work in June 1989 and her CSW after passing the certification exam. She works at William F. Ryan Community Health Center as the psychiatric social worker on a multidisciplinary health care team delivering comprehensive health services to homeless people in shelters and transitional residences.

**Eva Kajetanski Skrenta** had a wonderful surprise at parents weekend at the University of Colorado last October when she and son Brian ran into **Ina Goldfinger Lieberman** and family. In their huge highrise dorm, Ina's son Mark lived not only on the same floor as Brian but only three doors away. What were the odds of this serendipitous occurrence, wonders Eva. Ina and Eva last saw each other about 16 years ago in NY. "We stood around in the dorm room as more and more students filed in (word having spread), having to tell the story of who we were over and over again. Dinner the following evening was a happy reunion!"

The last word this time is from **Jane Weinstein Boris**, who sends thanks for the strong response to the class gift campaign.

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A message from **Patti Levine**, "It was wonderful seeing all those familiar faces at our Friday night Reunion dinner, and it occurs to me that this, my last word as class correspondent, should note that thanks from all of us of the class of 1965 are in order to **Ellen Kozak** and **Linda Lebensold**. The generous, untiring efforts of both these women made our 25th the success it was. We all left the Big Apple with good thoughts, happy memories and souvenirs to tide us over until our 30th!"

And thanks from all of us also to our other outgoing officers: **Nancy Allen Steinberg**, president; **Bea Rosengarten Adler**, treasurer; **Lois Katz Gruen** and **Jane Newham McGroarty**, Fund chairs; and **Patricia Zimmerman Levine**, Correspondent.

The following classmates attended at least one of



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the Reunion events, which included Friday lunch and dinner at the College, a splendid Chinese dinner on Saturday at Dish of Salt, and a fabulous Sunday brunch at the revolving restaurant atop the Marriott Marquis Hotel:

**Beatrice Rosengarten Adler**, **Rita Breitbart Auerbach**, **Dominique Lunau Avery**, **Bettye Grossman Barcan**, **Diana Birmingham**, **Zane Berzins**, **Ellen Bernstein Bildnersee**, **Marilyn Ganon Breslow**, **Karen Rothstein Brody**, **Marilyn Ross Cahn**, **Barbara Sheklin Davis**, **Roberta Holland Donis**, **Monika Schwabe Eisenbud**, **Dana Cohen Engel**, **Sharon Klayman Farber**, **Shirley Frank**, **Jane Ginsberg**, **Henriette Josefsberg Goldstein**, **Margaret Ross Griffel**, **Lois Katz Gruen**, **Frances Witty Hamermesh**, **Patricia Herman**, **Susan Sherer Hesse**, **Enid Hinkes**, **Barbara Benson Kaplan**, **Joan Spector Kimmel**, **Phyllis Klein**, **Bonnie Aaron Kohl**, **Ellen Kozak**, **Linda Lebensold**, **Patricia Zimmerman Levine**, **Ann Selgin Levy**, **Susan Merriman Licht**, **Barbara Lunin-Pack**, **Marjorie Dubrow Mansolino**, **Jane Newham McGroarty**, **Barbara Rieck Morrow**, **Valerie Caswell Mulet**, **Shirah Neiman**, **Nancy Berko Nyman**, **Maria-Elena Nochera Ouimette**, **Ernestine Schachter Pantel**, **Louise Perl**, **Barbara Post**, **Mary Ebeltoft Reid**, **Toby Fishbein Reifman**, **Anne Ehrlich Rosenfeld**, **Golda Shatz Rothman**, **Susan Adelman Rudolph**, **Barbara Steinglass Russek**, **Sue Scheffler**, **Patricia Sheinblatt Sidor**, **Bayla Tulchin Silbert**, **Dianne Snyder**, **Rita Solow**, **Judith Bernstein Stein**, **Joan Steiner**, **Roberta Popkin Stern**, **Mary Gaffney Tannen**, **Elaine Kasinow Thompson**, **Esther Melnick Timmeney**, **Sandra Torrielli**, **Helene Wenzel**, and **Martha Andes Ziskind**. Various spouses and children were also in attendance.

A limited number of copies of the Reunion directory, done in the style of a yearbook, are still available @ \$25. Write to Class Treasurer Jacqueline Dryfoos, 775 Park Ave., NY 10021, for further information.

News came from two classmates too late to be included in the directory. **Zane Berzins** lives in NY and works at NYU. She has been studying the Irish language and this summer hopes to travel to Latvia. **Anne Botsford** will be starting a doctoral program at the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy in September. She is married to Donald H. Puretz and lives in Poughkeepsie; she has three children, Alisa Durkin 21, Henry Puretz 6, and Edward Puretz 4.

There is lots more news in the Reunion book; we will try to place some of it in future columns, but it would be better still if you send "new news" to our new correspondent so that the contacts we enjoyed so much at Reunion can be maintained.

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It comes as a shock to report to you the untimely deaths of several classmates: **Karen Osney Brownstein** on 12/3/89, **Marsha Teitelbaum**, on 12/15/89; **Felice Hamada Schoenberg**, 12/23/89; **Julie V. Marsteller**, 2/13/90. We offer sincere condolences to their families and friends.

On a happier note, **Helen Stern Sunshine**, who received a PhD in bioinorganic chemistry in 1975 from CU, is Chief for the Office of Review Activities of the National Inst. of General Medical Sciences. This office, under the Nat'l Institutes of Health, is responsible for research and research training in a range of scientific areas. Husband Jonathan (CU '66) is Director of Research for the American College of Radiology. Gabriel, their son, is a junior at Harvard, and daughter Naomi is a junior in high school.

The *Austin-American Statesman*, in an article about the Austin Symphony Orchestra's guest soloist,

flutist **Eugenia Rich Zukerman**, noted that among other things: she is a regular commentator on "Sunday Morning" with Charles Kuralt, has sold screenplays to Sally Field, MGM, and 20th Century Fox, wrote a novel *Deceptive Cadence*, modeled for a Neutrogena ad, and was honored as the mother of the year by the National Mother's Day Committee. Eugenia, who describes herself as "very driven," recently married writer/director David Seltzer who wrote the screenplay for *Punch Line*. This union made her an instant mother of six, including two daughters, Arianna 16 and Natalia 14, from a previous marriage.

**Nancy Cowles McClelland** is still teaching kindergarten in Lincoln, NE. She has two boys in college (Santa Cruz and Carlton). With husband Jim, Nancy is building a cabin in Colorado for summer vacations.

**Barbara Grado Devir** is now in her fourth year of teaching an enrichment program for students in grades two through six. She says it's a great job for one who enjoys going off on tangents. Barbara is also running a French exchange program during the summer. Daughter Megan 18 is a freshman at Amherst (her Dad's alma mater), and daughter Kate is a junior in high school.

**Margrit Stoltz Bernstein** is in a private law practice with husband Roger after several career changes within the same field. Margrit specializes in planning for aging, illness, and incapacity. She has been an active member of the Florida Bar Committee on the Elderly and the National Academy of Elderlaw Attorneys. The Bernsteins live in Coconut Grove (Miami) with sons Erik 11 and Oliver 9. Working under the same roof has provided Margrit and her husband a "refuge" from their busy household, and an occasional microwave lunch together.

**Louise Basch Greenberg**, married to Harold Greenberg, a watchmaker, has four children: Naomi 15, Jonathan 13, twins Alex and Judith 4. She is the Chief Producer in the Features, Arts, and Education department of BBC Radio. Louise writes that she mostly makes documentaries on a very wide range of cultural subjects but sometimes does plays as well. Though she thinks she is Anglicized, the British don't seem to think so! She was a member of one of the last classes to hear Mrs. McIntosh, mother of five, say, "If I can do it, you can do it!" The truth, Louise feels, is that both her family and job suffer short cuts.

**Lauren Seidel Storck**, PhD lived in London for nine years where she often represented Barnard at the annual college information session at the American School. Lauren and family relocated to the Boston area in 1987. As a psychologist and psychotherapist, she provides individual and group treatment as well as consultations with "transitions" as a specialty. She is affiliated with several area hospitals and working to develop a private practice. Lauren looks forward to meeting nearby alumnae.

In NYC, **Deborah Rogers Butler** is having a wonderful time teaching third grade at the Chapin school. Her youngest daughter is in the other half of the third grade and eldest son is a junior at Princeton. With two more children in between, life is very busy for her.

Speaking of grade school, our daughter Hope, now in second grade at Old Bonhomme elementary school, recently won the highly coveted (I'm sure) weekly "Good Egg Award." What she did to deserve this great honor is unknown to us as well as to her.

ethical/political/social health issues in the community and beyond."

**Abby Pariser** continues her community and feminist activism with work on child care and abortion rights, with NOW and the PTA (where she has moved up to junior high and co-presidency). She recently was Bat Mitzvah with seven other women after two years of study.

Rather than fight, **Alice Long Robinson** has switched; she gave up a daily commute to NYC and now works closer to her Long Island home as a compensation administrator at the American Institute of Physics in Woodbury. Divorced, she has two daughters: an art major at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf in Rochester, NY, and a younger child in fourth grade.

**Beatrice Kahn Birnbaum** has taken her love of French to France. After ten "wonderful" years as coordinator of undergraduate language studies in the French department of Johns Hopkins, she and husband Daniel (Columbia '67) moved to France. Four years ago, Beatrice helped found the Hadassah Medical Relief Assn. in Paris and she is now their vp in charge of expansion. The Birnbauhs have two daughters, Joanna 10 and Rebecca 7.

Formerly a music educator, **Helen Finegold Friedman** recently joined the world of commerce as associate director of management for Bridge Records. She writes, "Although my past experience...was most rewarding, I look forward to working more closely with professional musicians and having a flexible work schedule." Husband Jeffrey, after 19 years with Dreyfus Corp., has been named a senior vp of Klingenstein, Fields, and Co. Their son, Edward 10, is a fifth-grader at Hunter College Elementary School.

Encouraging words from **Deanne Shapiro**: "Forty something keeps getting better. My husband, Ted Diesenhaus, and I seem to be surviving midlife crisis, and other aspects of our life seem to be in order." Her human relations training and consulting practice, Life Skills Associates, keeps her on the road and "constantly energized." She also joined the Center for Change, a non-profit consortium providing low-cost consulting services to grass-roots organizations involved in fundamental social change. With those activities, other volunteer projects, and her two sons, Douglas 10 and Elliott 6, is there any time for a midlife crisis?

From Los Angeles, **Linda Chiavaroli Rosenbloom** reports that her marketing and public relations firm, United Arts, is entering its ninth year. Husband David Rosenbloom is her partner, having left the corporate world in 1985. The firm represents dance and theatre companies and does public relations work for two well-known conductors.

The newest entrepreneur in the class might be **Ilene Rubin Fish**, who started a company that conducts financial education seminars for corporations and private groups. For more information, call (201) 569-2536. Before setting up her business, Ilene went to NYU Business School for her MBA. Husband Irving is director of child neurology at NYU Medical Center. As to her three sons: Sandy is a junior at Washington U in St. Louis; Rob is a freshman at Yale; and Peter is a junior at Tenafly (NJ) High School.

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I don't know what it is—the weather, the interval between issues, or just plain luck, but there's an awful lot of news for this column! YAY! Don't slack off—be encouraged by your peers.

From **Jill Adler Kaiser** comes word that, in addition to her business—running a bookkeeping service for small/medium sized businesses—she is secretary of the Entrepreneurial Women's Network in Fairfield County, CT, and has met several other Barnard alumnae through this network.

**Irene Herz**, an elementary school classmate of mine (!), is working right here in White Plains and I

didn't even know it! Of course, I am not privy to everything happening here, but still... She is working for Prodigy Services Company as a senior product developer. Her husband, Duane, is also employed there. They live in Fairfield, CT—small world. Get in touch with Jill, Irene, or better yet, with me.

**Grace Druan Rosman** reports that her older son is now a sophomore at Columbia and enjoys Morningside as much as she did. Her younger son, a high school senior, has turned his eyes toward New Haven and beyond, alas, so there's no hope for a complete dynasty.

**Bronwen Murphy** is living in Cambridge, MA, making a living as a dressmaker and yoga teacher.

**Marjorie L. Stein** is on the board of governors of the Mathematical Association of America and has been appointed to the advisory committee to the Women and Mathematics program of said association.

**Karen Woland Payne** is an administrator of a private, nonprofit agency which provides child care and Head Start services in her central PA community. She and her two sons, ages 6 and 8, recently visited with her former Barnard roommate, Dr. **Donna Myers**, who has two daughters, also ages 6 and 8. Are there "matches" in the offing?

**Georgia Valaoras** writes—all the way from Athens, Greece—that, after many years, she has become very much involved in environmental science. She has just completed a teaching stint at the University of the Aegean on a Fulbright grant and is working for World Wide Fund for Nature International managing conservation projects in Greece. She is a "first time contributor" to this column, even though she has kept in touch with Barnard friends. As she said, "There's always time to begin new initiatives." See? You can write any time...P.S. Georgia, my daughter was thrilled when I let her have the stamp from your letter.

My own former roommate, **Martha Shames Groen**, and her husband, Cliff, have moved Tokyo! They will each be employed by different law firms in that city and should be there for two or three years. It sounds very exciting and, even though the address is just about unpronounceable and almost as long as this paragraph, I'm sure I'll be writing to her to get her impressions once she's settled in.

**Rosalie Rudes Siegel** ("all these people will kill me for doing this") reports that **Naomi Ivany** married Steve Mendelsohn in the spring of '89—congratulations; **Carol Coppola** and her son relocated to Albany, NY, and **Marilyn Lauer Sticklor** '69 and her husband and four children are living in Boxford, MA. She (Rosalie), however, said nothing about herself! C'mon Rosalie!

**Marie Louise Kleykamp Kane** is a free-lance art consultant.

**K.C. Cole** spoke at a meeting of the Barnard College Club of Fairfield County (my, that name gets around, doesn't it?), CT, last fall. Her topic was "Science and the human soul." She has written six books and numerous articles on the same subject and is a frequent speaker in that field.

**Lida Orzeck**, with her psychology major and doctorate in social psychology, runs her own business (in partnership with her close friend)—a lingerie company called Hanky-Panky! There must be a connection there somewhere.

**Charlotte Lerman Peitzman** is enjoying not one, but two part-time jobs. The first is holding the power of attorney for a mental patient and the second is being an adult fitness instructor at her local YMCA.

A note from class fund chairman **Gail Closter Nigrosh**. She called **Linda Rosen Garfunkel** the other day, and Linda asked me to put this plea from Gail in our news. Gail, due to personal health problems, cannot continue to do the fundraising job alone. She needs help. The work involves letter-writing and sending, and some phone calling and similar contacting methods. If you can do ANYTHING, however little it may seem to you, please call her. Her phone # is (508) 755-4015.

Finally, I am in the midst of a wonderful production of *Kismet* in Manhattan—I guess my semitic roots are showing. My family and I are all recovering from my daughter's very serious (and very rare) illness and subsequent surgery. Now that she's well on the road

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**Gloria Leitner** has gone through a succession of changes in the last year—marriage, a move to Boulder, CO, and a new job at the U of Colorado, and a new book of poetry, *Notes from the Lute*. "What remains constant is my love of writing—lately on

to health, my husband I can start our own psychological mending. Work is, well, work, but teaching is always interesting, and every year brings a new "crop" of minds to bend—one way or another!

Keep the faith—and the news coming!

—ASK

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WOW! Right after our Annual Fund phonathon in March a ton of news came pouring into the office. I have cut down on my usual editorializing in an effort to get everybody mentioned, if not in this issue for sure the next one. First, the artsy/craftsy types:

**Laurie Anderson**, multimedia artist, stays in the news, most recently with her "Empty Places" performance and "Strange Angels" album. **Susan K. Blair** has written a sobering new book about the Armenian Genocide 1915-17 called *The Slaughterhouse Province*. The star of popular *LA Law* is our own **Jill Eikenberry**, destined for fame early, say friends and her mom.

**June Erlick**, we learned, is a freelance journalist living in Berlin. **Susan Gould**, freelance music journalist with Barnard/Columbia opera review experience, was published in *Ovation '89* and is developing in-flight music. **Donna Kruger McCrohan** is a television historian and author whose specialty is *The Honeymooners* with Jackie Gleason. A toy bus she did from that show sits in its own case at the Smithsonian! Her new book, *Prime Time, Our Time* (Prima Publishing) is a fascinating survey of 40 years of America's most popular entertainment.

**Joanna Gough Roy** has produced two books as a freelance graphic artist for six years—*Look What I Brought You From Vietnam*, a children's book, and this year's *College Bound*.

**Lora Sharnoff-Tamura** writes from Tokyo that her new book *Grand Sumo* is getting rave reviews. Freelancing as writer, translator, and editor helps defray some of the high cost of living over there. **Laura Stewart** is a freelance writer on such subjects as Florida architecture, a ghostwriter (shhh!), and a teacher of art history; her three children are 20, 13, & 8 months!

**Sara Miller Trachten** recently took a job as visual arts coordinator in the New Haven Department of Cultural Affairs and wants to hear from other alumnae working in visual arts. Finally, **Linda Yellen**, producer of films with such greats as Elizabeth Taylor and Vanessa Redgrave, is working on an abortion film, the shooting location for which remains a secret due to "crazy mail."

AND NOW FOR THE REST OF US: **Isabel Potter Aldrich** is a private tutor, specializing in high school English, English as a second language (ESL), and related areas for jr. high and college kids. **Alicia Pine Brumm** is a nurse with Choices Women's Health Center.

**Judith Coleman**, MBA '87, heads public services at a large public library and is president of the Ohio Library Association. **Anne Farber**, trust estate lawyer, and psychiatrist husband Richard Kaiser live in New Rochelle and have twins, 14, and two other children, ages 9 and 1.

In Colorado, **Sheila Gallup**, a part-time medical social worker, and husband Edward Miller are enjoying adopted daughter Maria. **Margo Greene Grobel**, musician, has a 4-year-old daughter. **Laura L. Harrison MacDermott** taught English in Poland Oct.-Nov. '89 with daughter Hannah, 9, while husband and son, 7, stayed home in Tennessee.

**Elizabeth (Liza) Dreifuss Holmes**, mother of two and former teacher/lawyer, is debating whether to return to work or have another baby. Playwright husband Rupert opened *Accomplice* on Broadway and won three Tony awards for *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*. **Elinor Livingston Knodel** (Wilmington, DE) is balancing her biochemist career with the job of first-time parent of a 2-year-old daughter.

**Margaret Korchnak Krasik**, teacher at Duquesne Law School, has two kids, Ellen 11 and David 9.

**Anya Kaptzan Luchow-Liberman** is a psychologist

in private practice. She lives in Tenafly, NJ, with husband Donald and their five children. Oldest daughter **Megan** graduated from Barnard in May and Alexandra is entering in September.

Remember when **Rosalie Reszelbach** was the only pregnant alumna at our 20th reunion? Well, it's been some months now since son Andrew began "crawling at full speed and standing up with the help of every piece of furniture in the house." Rosalie went back to work as a full-time optometrist last summer while husband Bennett looked after Andrew. At the time of her writing, they were looking for daycare so that Bennett could return to work as a lawyer.

**Ellen Shulman Lapson** finances power plants, pipelines and mines for NYC's Chemical Bank while husband Beril consults around the world. Their sons are 9 and 13. **Joan Leitzer**, psychiatrist and part-timer on Barnard's staff, has a husband, Kenneth S. Spire, with Merrill Lynch and 9-year-old twins (boy/girl).

**Kathy Vogel McNally-Wassenar** is now director of development at the Bennington (VT) Museum. **Helen Turner Oen**, chemistry PhD, is working on a master of library science degree at Columbia. She and dentist husband have a son and daughter, 16 and 11. **Doraly Schlossman Pines**, art history PhD '85, and husband Jeffrey have a new daughter born 12/29/89.

**Charlotte Carroll Prather**, MDiv. '89, taught German for nine years at Wellesley College and is now pastoral associate at St. Anne Church, Fair Lawn, NJ, where she lives with husband Michael and sons, John 11 and Matthew 8. **Abigail Teitz Rabin**, master of philosophy (dissertation short of PhD) in health economics, lives with husband and three children, ages 15, 4 & 12, in NJ.

**Linda Sartorelli** got to spend four months in Italy studying Galileo as part of her sabbatical. And **Irene LeGuyader Weaver** missed our 20th reunion, having just returned from escorting 26 students to France for a six-week exchange she inaugurated. She lost her dad, who had been living in a nursing home, last August, but she writes that her twins, age 12, are the "joy of my life." To end as we began, with the arts, Irene was part of a first-place winning entry in the NJ festival competition of one-act plays. Write her!

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Forty-two members of our stalwart class of '70 found their way home to Barnard for our 20th reunion. I was delighted to see that none of us has aged a bit, despite our years of experience in the real world. I was able to get information from most of our returnees, and apologize if I missed anyone.

After 20 years in early childhood teaching, **Nadine Lebeouf Lada** has returned to school for a master of education in that field. Nadine has two children, a boy 14 and a girl 11.

**Susan Rosen Goldman** recently moved to Nashville, TN. She finds it hard to believe her twin boys are now the age that we were when we graduated from Barnard. After ten years in the Dept. of Education at the U of CA-Santa Barbara, Susan moved to Vanderbilt U. She then served as professor of psychology and co-director of the Learning Technology Center in Peabody College.

**Leslie Brooks** has become involved in local politics and is member of the Ipswich (MA) Master Plan Commission. Her specialty is real estate appraisal.

Attorney **Joan Pantios** has made her permanent home in Illinois. She is chief of the felony division for Lake Co. (IL) Public Defenders and has written a book on criminal procedures. She was married five years ago to engineering consultant Mark Monson. When not "lawyering," Joan enjoys sailing on Lake Michigan.

**Jorene Frenkl Robbie** is a law librarian. Four years ago, she adopted a little girl.

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**Barbara Pines** came all the way from Munich, Germany, to join us for our special day. Barbara now sings with the German American Choral Society in Munich after a hard day at work.

**Laura Foster Campbell** is an attorney in Philadelphia, serving as executive director of Philadelphia Trial Lawyers' Assn. She has two children—a girl 11 and a boy 7.

**Patricia Davis Kreins** is an artist and painter who also works as a landscape consultant. Patsy told me that she feels she is now "starting over" but without the fears and doubts she had as a new grad of Barnard.

**Norma Garten Pressman** recently relocated to Delaware. She is still a school psychologist and is busy rearing her two kids. **Evelyn Langlieb Greer** is an attorney in Miami. **Anne Waller Auerbach** is a psychologist in private practice in Summit, NJ. Anne will soon be going to live in England for a year or two with husband Joel and her three kids, ages 9, 6 and 4.

As we all know, **Dorothy Urman Denburg** is associate dean of studies for freshmen and sophomores at Barnard. Her role is much akin to that of our own Dean for the Class of '70—Christine Royer (who was our guest at dinner on Friday night). Dorothy is expecting her third child in August. Her daughters are now 14 and 9. In addition, Dorothy is about to assume the responsibilities of Correspondent for our class. Write to her!

**Winsome Downie** chairs the political science department at Manhattan College and still finds time for her 7-year-old son, Damien, and 3-year-old daughter Ayana. Winsome is married to Norbert Rainford (CC '69), a physician in Rockland County.

**Mary Riley Anderson** and I compared notes on hospital administration. Mary is the head of outpatient programs at St. Luke's/Roosevelt hospital in Manhattan. She is particularly proud of a sickle cell out-patient program the hospital runs.

**Dorothy Duncan Belford** is still a free-lance clarinetist and lives in Mt. Vernon, NY. **Peggy Foster Oakes** now lives in Rochester, NY; she is clinical director of a school for exceptional children. **Gail Wolff Smith** works in banking and has bought a home in Weyland, MA. Gail told me that she enjoys *not* being a mother.

**Barbara Marcus Prazak** lives in Berkeley Heights, NJ. When not working at the local library, Barbara serves on the board of her local YMCA, especially in children's programs.

**Rosalyn Engelberg** is an occupational therapist in

Morgantown, WV, working with disabled children. She is also the principal of her local synagogue.

**Deirdre McCusker Golash** has a very hectic life—combining a career as senior staff associate at the Federal Judicial Center in Washington with raising five children (3 girls and 2 boys, ages 17 down to 6).

**Myrna Fishman Fawcett** is also an attorney in Washington, DC. Myrna is now fulfilling a dream—that of producing a feature film.

I was so happy to see **Margot Ross London**. Margot is doing legal work with the American Arbitration Assn. She enjoys asking lawyers questions rather than vice-versa. She recently produced Rodger and Hammerstein's musical *Cinderella*—a parent-faculty project—for her children's school, the Town School in Manhattan. In her free time, Margot enjoys skiing and tennis. We compared notes on raising pre-adolescents—quite a challenge in the '90s.

Additional attendees at Reunion were **Judy Uhr Barokas**, **Evelyn Torres Cendan**, **Elizabeth Hassett Donahue**, **Miriam Lipnick Foss**, **Susan Jacobson Gaztanaga** (see last *Alumnae Magazine*), **Weslie Resnick Janeway**, **Barbara Kapelman**, **Camille Kiely Kelleher**, **Margie Kieffer Koretzky**, **Carol Kornreich**, **Cheryl Johnston Middleton**, **Eileen McCorry**, **Janine Palmer**, **Dora Eisenberg Polacheck**, **Audrey Prager**, **Marylu Shore Simon**, **Marilyn Stocker**, **Edna Rubin Sussman**, and **Ellen Weiss**. My apologies to all of them for not getting their latest information.

Reunion spurs alumnae sending class notes into Barnard. Hence, this last column is probably the longest one I have every submitted. **Rachel Cohen** writes that she is doing some traveling and continuing her mail-order jewelry business. She'd like to hear from classmates who, like her, have waited until their late 30s or early 40s to start a family. Rachel's oldest child, Jay, is 2 and she is expecting another in August.

**Marnie Gary Byrd** announces with great joy her

marriage last July 29th in San Francisco to Robert L. Byrd. Marnie joined him at his audio-video production facility, where she is chief financial officer as well as all-around dabbler. "A cosmic joke on an English Lit. major," Marnie writes, "who did everything but run from numbers!"

**Sarah Cameron** has started a new job with the Marin Agricultural Land Trust, which buys development rights on ranch land to preserve it for agricultural purposes.

**Nina Serafino** continues to be employed by the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress. In the spring of 1988, an article by her on Nicaragua—the main subject of her CRS work—was published in *Foreign Policy Magazine*. In October 1989, she was appointed head of the Asia/Latin America Section of the Foreign Affairs and National Defense Division.

**Alice Gosfield** continues to practice health law in Pennsylvania. She was recently elected to the board of Inglis House, a nursing home and independent residential community for severely physically disabled people in Philadelphia. She is also working on the 1990 edition of the Clark Boardman Health Law Handbook.

As you can see from the above list, **Cheryl Middleton** will be Fund Chair for our class for the next five years and yours truly will serve as president. I hope that I can continue to reach out to all of you. Perhaps if we get together on a more informal basis from time to time, then our class can demonstrate a greater allegiance to Barnard through larger contributions. So don't be surprised if I swoop down on you by phone when you least expect it. Barnard played a big role in shaping all of our lives. Looking back, I'm sure that we all appreciate what a fine education we received. Let's show our appreciation!

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Lots of news this time!

**Fay Chew Matsuda** has been the executive director of a nonprofit cultural organization called the NY Chinatown History Project since Jan. 1989.

**Naomi Levin Breman** is back in NY after living in Europe for five years. She is glad to be nearer family but misses the multilingual continent and all the great art. She is still with Citibank; her husband is starting a civilian career after 23 years in the Army.

**Debbie Swiderski** married Richard Steinman (CC'71) and has a beautiful daughter, Meredith Anne. Debbie is a faculty member of the residency program in social medicine at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, teaching and practicing community-responsive primary care.

**Victoria Berlin Le Frere** is very proud of her step-daughter, **Stephanie**, who graduated from Barnard this year.

**Susan Curchak** married Rubin Salz in March '87 and is currently employed by her daughter Jenny as a full-time mother. Prior to this job, she worked part-time as a lawyer and played chamber music with a Brooklyn-based quartet. Susan plans to return to work soon, but for now she loves being a mother.

**Sarah Button White**, now living in Williamstown, MA, gave birth to her second child, Nancy Pierson White, on August 23, 1989. Sarah taught a course in journalism at Williams College last winter and continues to write for local papers.

**Deborah Lifschitz Veach** gave birth to her first child, Zachary Adam Veach, on October 29, 1988. She is on leave from her position of deputy bureau chief of the special prosecutions bureau in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. (While she is home, she would love to hear from other alumnae. Her address is: 1337 Dickerson Road, Teaneck, NJ 07666.)

**Joyce Coleman** is in her second year of PhD studies at the U of Edinburgh, writing on late medieval English literature. She has spent "the past 19 years alternating between academia & real life, full-time jobs & freelancing, theater & therapy" in the US and the UK, including some stints in publishing.

**Nancy A. Garvey** is now vice president-investor relations for Allied-Signal Inc. **Kathryn Zufall-Larson** is living in Seattle and continuing to practice internal medicine. She has three boys 5, 7, & 9.

**Loren Wissner Greene** won first prize in watercolors in the New York Physician's Art Association annual show in 1989.

**Deborah Epstein Nord**'s second son, David, was born on May 11, 1988. She is a visiting associate professor of English at Princeton. **Carrie Menkel-Meadow** is acting co-director of UCLA's Center for the Study of Women while she continues to serve as a professor at UCLA's Law School.

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Lots of classmates heard from! Let's start with **Jo Lynn Klier**'s "summary of 18 years." She received a doctorate in clinical psychology in 1978 and currently runs a part-time private practice in Berlin, CT. She lives in Sturbridge, MA with her husband, John Kittel (Columbia Engineering), and 2½-year-old son, Benjamin. Weekends are spent in Waterford, CT, and Jo Lynn would like to hear from any classmates in either area.

**Cathy Sloat Shaw** has graduated from the 5th year graduate program in painting and printmaking at Boston's Museum of Fine Arts. She received the

Museum School Print Prize for 1989-90 and has had her work shown at the Museum School and several New England galleries. Cathy reports that all is well with husband David and children, Emily 12 and Jesse 9.

**Jamienne S. Studley**, our class fund chair, relocated to San Francisco in July '89. Jamie is executive director of the National Association for Law Placement, a trade organization of law schools and legal professionals based in Washington, DC. Her husband, Gary Smith, opened a California office for his law firm, Beveridge & Diamond, specialists in environmental law. Jamie wrote that "this year I've been flextime and flexplace, working from California. By the time this column appears, I will have made a big decision about staying with this job, a terrific one, or taking a big plunge into some combination of writing/teaching/consulting here in SF. The autonomy and flexibility are attractive, but going 'on my own' would be a big change and challenge. I'll bet a lot of classmates have experience with this kind of decision and making it work."

**Evelyn Ehrlich** sounds like she's one of those people. Her firm, EC Communications, Inc., specializes in marketing communications for financial services. Things are on a growth path, with a professional staff consisting of three writers and two designers. Evelyn's home also grew—after 15 years of studio (a rental) life, she moved to a co-op right near her old place. She also has a weekend place in Bucks Co., PA, and would like to hear from alumnae in the area.

**Nikki Rubinow** reports, "Despite my best efforts at building an office-based law practice, I find myself spending more and more time in the courtroom, championing victims of medical negligence—still, despite the ever-increasing workload, finding time to enjoy Merrill 6½, Jack 3½, their dad, Scott Frew, and my dear friend **Nancy Allen**, MD (1968)!"

Another classmate doing the juggling act is **Elizabeth Bernstein Harrington**—she's working full time in vascular surgery at Mt. Sinai Hospital, NYC, and has four children, "two girls and two boys who are fantastic." Liz is married to Martin Harrington (CC '71) and they practice surgery together.

**Leslie Li Donnici** is also in the medical field. She's currently a resident in cardiovascular and thoracic surgery at the U of Alberta in Edmonton.

Classmates also heard from or about: **Elizabeth Montanez Maramara** wrote that she is an interviewing officer at the State Bank of New South Wales, Australia, and is married to Antonio Maramara...Congratulations to **Elizabeth Bothamley**—her marriage to Charles Gordon Rex, Jr. took place this January in NYC. **Kathleen Burns Schrader** reported on her juggling act—"after taking 3 years off from regular legal practice (to spend time with my two sons) I have begun to reenter the world of paid employment by teaching a course at Marquette Law School. It's been a great experience"...and **Helene Toiv** forwarded a copy of a U.S. General Accounting Office report she prepared—"Screening Mammography: Low-Cost Services Do Not Compromise Quality" (Jan '90). In many ways it was a real eye-opener, and Helene would like to remind everyone that "as our class turns 40, we should start getting screening mammograms every 1 to 2 years. They are available at good providers for \$50-60, and there's no reason to spend much more than that."

For a non-reunion class, we heard from a lot of people for this column. Remember, our 20th is on the horizon—please forward any requests or suggestions to either of us as you think of them. We can relay them to the other class officers and incorporate them into a great schedule!

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**Nancy Olnick** writes that her "two beautiful children, Robert 3 and Eve 7, are my pride and joy." Also, Nancy has sold an idea for a movie to Columbia Pictures which she will produce. She notes that "Columbia" continues to be a positive force in my life."



We hear from **Sylvia Lifschitz** that she has a son, Joshua Jacob Hirsch, born in December '88. And from **Carol Richards** that she is freelancing as a public relations consultant.

From southern California **Laurie Kane Kominski** writes that she is supervisor of case management services with the Exceptional Children's Foundation. Together with husband Jerry (asst. prof. at UCLA School of Public Health) and daughter Julie Anne 2½, she purchased a home in Culver City last October.

**Marian Sabety Wieghorst** is now director, world sales for Worldcom, an international telecommunications firm with headquarters in NYC. Her pride and pleasure in her family, especially her two children, Robin 9 and Anna 7, come across clearly in her note.

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**Miriam Frank** writes that she has been chief litigation counsel of Heller Financial Inc., a Chicago based financial services company, since September '88.

Living in Washington, DC, is **Susan Bacon Dynerman**, with husband Alan (CC '75) and their sons, Alex 11 and Max 4 months. Susan is working on a book which will be published by Macmillan next year.

**Laura Shea** is an assistant professor of English at New York Institute of Technology.

**Michelle Friedman** had her second daughter, Sarah S. Belfer, in June 1989 and has finished her psychoanalytic training at Columbia. She writes that **Frances Walfish (Shalit)** has been living in Israel for the last 15 years, has four children, and does basic biology research.

**Margaret J. Wiener** is writing her dissertation for a PhD in anthropology.

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We know that there are many of you out there who never send news for Class Notes because you don't think you've accomplished enough. Now hear this from **Carmen Kohn Fulop**, who recently wrote that she always reads Class Notes but "never shared any information about myself because I felt that my achievements did not measure up." Carmen has been happily married for 17 years and has three sons: Daniel 16, Steven 13, and Richard 4½. After graduation she stayed home for about five years—in Edison, NJ—and then decided to start a business; while raising her family she has been running a photo finishing lab and studio and also a freelance translation service. Although she "once thought that success is only defined in terms of a professional career," she now

realizes that what is important is accomplishing the goals one has set for oneself and feeling good about it. "Looking at success in this light," she concludes, "I can finally assert that what I have achieved is on par with the achievements of all the doctors, lawyers, bankers and other professionals" of our class.

Now how about the rest of you quiet ones out there?

News for this issue has come from several parts of the country, including several other locations in New Jersey. **Marie-Laurence Margules Fabian** is working as an attorney in Morristown. Her daughter is rapidly approaching age 2, and Marie-Laurence expects another baby in September.

**Rama Zwillenberg Kowlowe** was greeted by **Cathy Blank Mermelstein '74** when she moved to NJ recently. Rama is director of nutrition at Staten Island University Hospitals and has a private medical practice. She and husband Mark have three children: Jason 8, Jonathan 5½, and Edie 1½.

**Audrey Strahl** is vp of press and artist development for Charisma Records in NY. She and Tom Losonczy (CC '75) are the proud parents of Magda Strahl Losonczy 3 and were expecting her brother at the time she wrote us. The family resides in Hoboken.

**Wendy Keller Epstein** is mother of a 2½-year-old daughter, Caroline. She and husband Allen are both dermatologists practicing in Manhattan.

Also in Manhattan, and also mother of a 2½-year-old daughter—Amanda Dawn—is **Surie Rudoff**, whose son, Jason Harris Sugarman, was born last December.

**Janice Clark Chance** writes, "Are we getting older or what?" This year was marked by the 15th anniversary of graduation, not to mention her 15th wedding anniversary and her daughter Kimberly's entrance into high school.

**Molly Hoefflich** wrote from West Linn, Oregon, that she and husband Tom had a baby girl, Anne Phipps, last September. Molly recently had lunch with **Marcia Kellmer Lee** and reports that she is happy and looks great. She also reports that **Betsy Grey** is doing well at Arizona State law school and loves teaching.

**Etti Hochberg** informed us of the birth of her daughter Ariel on July 6, 1989. She joins her sister, Talai 4, and brother, Noam 2½, in making Etti's household very lively and busy.

**Janet Kotselas-Clarke** published her second novel, *Nice Girls*, in July 1989. Her third novel, *Small Town*, was published in February 1990.

**Katherine Shick** writes that she worked for years in the medical field but is now "quite content to be a homemaker." Husband Alan West is vp of research & development at Boston Scientific Corporation. Their son Zachary Matthew was born on July 16, 1983.

**Lori Zabar** and husband Mark Mariscal recently had their second child, Marguerite. Their son, Henry, is four years old.

**Vera Weinberg Katz** is living in Potomac, MD, with husband Menachem who is employed as an economist at IMF. Vera is an attorney working part time at Sandler & Greenbloom in Arlington, VA. Their daughter is 3.

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Unfortunately, I have to start with some rather sad news. As many of you may have heard, our popular and distinguished classmate, **Patricia Stephens Thurman**, passed away on October 30, 1989. And **Robyn Grayson's** husband, Isidore Segal, suffered a fatal heart attack in May of last year. Our sincerest condolences to their families, and we will cherish the fond memories of the departed.

**Dee Marie Martin** wrote for the first time to report happily that although she had "accomplished career goals that [she] can trace back to the confidence and sense-of-self that was nourished at Barnard, she had had her "best project yet": the birth of her baby boy, Paul, on December 15, 1989. Her career goals achieved included running her own architectural and interior design office, and having her work published three times, in the *Hirsch & Adler Folk Gallery* and twice in *Residences*.

Another classmate amidst the ranks of entrepreneurship is **Pauline S. Neuwirth**, the president of Neuwirth & Associates, a design, production and packaging company specializing in the publishing industry, which she established in 1985. Pauline previously worked for Dell Publishing, was the mass market production manager at Avon Books, and the director of manufacturing and packaging, and then vice president, of Pinnacle Books.

**Joyce Rachel Ellman**, an assistant general counsel for the NYC Transit Authority, married Howard Fryburg, a New York lawyer, last April.

**Felice R. Zwas** had joined a group practice in gastroenterology in Greenwich, CT, and **Lucinda A. Harris** had opened a practice in internal medicine and gastroenterology through New York Hospital. Lucy is also a clinical instructor in medicine at Cornell University Medical College.

**Leslie A. Bogen** had been promoted from vice president to senior vice president at the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York where she continues to serve as general counsel and corporate secretary.

Our professor of law, **Lisa Lerman**, is publishing an article, "Lying To Clients," in the University of Penna. Law Review. She is on the faculty of Catholic University Law School, and is looking forward to "getting less busy and having more time for Sam 3½ and Sarah 1."

In December 1989, **Martha Nelson** was appointed editor-in-chief of *Savvy Woman* magazine. She joined the magazine as executive editor in February of 1988. Previously, she was the editor-in-chief of *Women's Sports & Fitness* (figured!) and an editor at *Ms.* magazine. I also had nice chat over the phone in January with **Nina Kellin** who has been a text editor at *Ladies' Home Journal* for five years. She has been married for ten years; her husband is a dermatologist.

**Barbara E. Gutierrez** was named city editor of *El Nuevo Herald*, *The Miami Herald's* Spanish language daily newspaper. Barbara has a master's degree in journalism from Columbia and started her journalism career in 1980 as a reporter for *The Miami Herald*. She also covered the Hispanic community for *El Herald*. In 1985, she became assignment editor for WLTW-Channel 23, and most recently, an assignment editor at WPLG-Channel 10.

**S. Amber Gordon** and her husband are now living in McLean, Virginia, with their three-year-old daughter. She commutes between the NYC and DC offices of a management consulting business that specializes in corporate communications and financial public relations.

A most interesting interview with **Gwyneth M. Murphy** was published in the Summer 1989 issue of *Harvard Divinity School Bulletin*. Gwyneth had been a practicing lawyer for six years after graduating from Fordham Law School. As an attorney for the City of New York, she found herself enmeshed in major social problems from the homeless to lead paint. She found it "frustrating to see these major systemic problems, and all we could do was put little band-aids on them." That triggered her desire to "study underlying value questions involved in social issues." She is now

in the final year of her Master of Divinity degree program. Her field education work included work in parish churches, practicing what she preaches that "academic discourse be ultimately relevant to solving problems in the real world." And yes, she "loves to preach and thinks that is what she is best at doing." She is headed for ministry in the Episcopal Church; whether ordained or lay, she said, "is in God's hands."

Lastly, a note of thanks to the "Women of Wayne," the alumnae association of Wayne State University, who on May 5 awarded this writer, an "International Lawyer," one of the four "1990 Headliner Awards." I received a law degree from Wayne in 1980. My "setting up shop" in April '89 hit the local press. I can only attribute that to fortuitous timing and circumstances — sort of riding on the coattails of the Chinese students' democracy movement, and the general scarcity of Chinese-speaking attorneys in the Detroit area.

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My winter vacation in London was more like a Spring Vacation. London had daffodils in February and NY had snowstorms in March. Not only did I preview the weather, I saw *Miss Saigon* including its helicopter! Review: "A" for staging, "C" for music.

**Ellen Goldstein Wertenteil** had her own production on New Year's Day. Devora Rivka took center stage to the pleasure of her parents and great-grandmother, **Anna Corn Levy** '25. Ellen, her husband, and new daughter live in Queens, where Ellen practices optometry when not on maternity leave.

**Liz (Beth) Neumark**, owner of "Great Performances" in NYC, participated in a Career Services panel of mostly Barnard alumnae in April in the Deanery.

**Ellen Kushner's** second novel, *Thomas the Rhymers*, will be published by William Morrow. Her first novel, *Swordspoint*, was published in '87. Ellen teaches a course in literature in the Department of Continuing Education at Northeastern University in Boston.

My fellow yearbook editor, **Jacqueline Laks Gorman**, writes that "I left Macmillan in July '89 after eight years and am now a development editor at AMACOM Books, the publishing division of the American Management Association, working on professional and business books. My husband, David (CC '77), successfully defended his dissertation at GSAS in December and is teaching English and literary criticism at Fordham. And we finally left Morningside Heights for Rego Park, Queens — where we have discovered things like linen closets, sunlight, room, and cheap dry cleaning."

**Andrea Chase** writes that she is still living in Manhattan. Andrea got an MBA in finance seven years ago and married four years ago. She is a vp at an investment banking firm and she would love to see news from people she knows. (Ed note: That's you!)

**Gail Bernstein** '59 wrote in and mentioned that **Tessie Liu** has joined her at the Dept. of History faculty at the U of Arizona. Tessie, a specialist in French history, and Gail plan to team-teach a graduate colloquium in comparative women's history.

From Marin County, California, we heard from **Rita Katz Levy**, who is a real estate broker. She and her husband, David, met at Columbia Business School. They have a 5½-year-old daughter, Rebecca, and a 1-year-old son, Matthew.

**Francine Jue Mozer** was recently promoted to principal at Morgan Stanley in the fixed income division.

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People say I'm partial to news about **Amanda Kissin Low** because she's my friend. Nonsense! Everyone gets equal billing. So let's start with

**Amanda**. I recently counted the Emmys on her bookshelf and found a new one, a seventh, for her Fox TV documentary, "Scared to Death." Interrupting my secret search through her belongings were some loud gurgling sounds from young Charles Harrison, born just slightly after the last course on Thanksgiving. Charlie was made possible by a grant from Cablevision honcho husband Peter Low (CC '78).

**CRYPTIC MESSAGE:** **Cyndi Stivers** has taken her famous Rolodex on the road. Her note to me says "not necessarily for publication," so I'll just drop clues: marriage (to John House, front page editor of the *Wall Street Journal Europe*); living in Brussels; European correspondent for *Premiere* and contributing editor for Condé Nast *Traveler*. You didn't hear it from me.

**MESSAGE FROM THE MISSING:** **Marilyn Holleran** has packed 12 years of her life into one letter. I could reprint the whole thing if I left out the vowels, but instead I'll sum it up: the biology major worked her way up from receptionist at a computer company to word processing instructor to regional office automation specialist. She transferred from the Boston office in time to see the company take a dive. Brief interlude of indecision. Now she's an assistant vp in charge of computers for McCue Mortgage; fringe benefits include good mortgage rate on her Cromwell, CT, condo. Two cats, plans for master's degree in history. "Why not?" writes Marilyn. Exotic travel, including African safari. Sees **Gracie Desimone Reuter**, **Margaret Purdy**, latter of whom has baby in Maryland. Wants to hear from **Wendy Schmalz** and **Marisa Bolognese**. As Marilyn herself would say, "Why not?" We expect another update from Marilyn in the year 2002.

**Merri Rosenberg** and Kenneth Hupert (E '77) celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary with a dinner thrown by **Kathleen Yoh**. Chowing down were **Alfonso Rechichi**, **Lisa Noonan Petter**, **Pat Herring Parisi** '77, **Joy Schneer** '79, and **Ellen Saidman** '79. Merri is still freelancing, "mostly on business and marketing topics" for *New York Newsday*, but she has plenty of time for a different journalistic enterprise: helping out at the newspaper at son Jacob's elementary school. So that daughter Ruth doesn't feel left out — you know how sibling rivalry can be so destructive — Merri chairs the board of trustees at the tyke's nursery school. Husband Ken is the medical director of Montefiore's outpatient clinic, "and is also pursuing a private faculty practice in endocrinology as well as some research projects."

**SAD NEWS:** It is with great regret that I tell you that one of our classmates, **Kathryn Linder Ecochard**, died on March 25. She is survived by her parents, Rena and Herbert Linder, and her husband, Jean-Louis Ecochard. Kathy was bright and sweet and special, and she'll be terribly missed.

**Natalie Angier** joined the *New York Times* as a science reporter last March. . . **Marjorie Aylen Silley** and husband Jim had their first baby, Megan Rachel, last January. . . **Joan Kingsly Gottesman** took a year off from bankruptcy law to tend to little Joshua David, but she's back to business and ready for that lunch with **Carla D'Arista** (just think of this column as your personal Filofax). . . **Lori Gold** is a financial consultant for LoBue Associates Inc. (I need to consult on some finances myself, like, where can I get hold of some?) . . . maybe **Jennifer Grey** has an answer for me, since she is a Certified Fund Raising Executive at the American Lung Assn. of Connecticut. . . **Mimi Sze Ho** was elected a principal of the Philadelphia office of TPF&C. She is a specialist in actuarial and employee benefits services.

**Jenny Stone** is starting a dermatologic surgery fellowship in Santa Monica, and plans to marry one David Amberger, who is a "dermapathologist." Sounds scary.

**Hillary Weisman** and Ed Scarvalone (CC '79) are at it again, with December baby Mira Beth Weisman Scarvalone joining older brother Daniel in the two-lawyer household.

**Vivian Levmore Tannor**, who wins an award for regular class notes updates (she should have a talk with Marilyn Holleran, see above), is enjoying the

suburban life in South Bend, IN, where she and husband David were expecting a second baby. Vivian works part-time as a clinical psychologist and is "ecstatic on a daily basis that I'm done with the PhD process and my licensing exam."

**Elizabeth Raack** says hi to **Kris Ishibashi** and **Marlee Minno Flaherty**. If you're counting on me to supply addresses and phone numbers of errant friends, you're at the mercy of my filing system, although I'll try my best.

Now don't get excited, everybody. I still have a backlog of class notes stacked up for next time, but we've run out of space. Everyone who writes in gets a mention, so don't get impatient!

Meanwhile, there's always room for a little self-promotion. *New York Woman* magazine mentioned me in their May cover story on "New York's Hottest Newspaperwomen." Yup, that's me—so hot I could pass out right here typing up these class notes. But don't worry, it won't go to my head, at least not until I'm done with the latest round of society parties and celebrity schmoozing. My boyfriend, The Most Perfect Guy in the World (except before 11 a.m.), says I should be a little less hot and a little more attentive. What to do?

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Imagine my pleasant surprise at learning that a deejay whose morning show is on WNCN 104.3 FM is Barnard '79! I am referring to none other than **Candice Agree**, who is the drive-time deejay on that wonderful classical station in New York, and whom I listen to faithfully every morning just to get my motor going. Candice dropped us a line and mentioned that she "would love to hear from other on-air women in broadcasting"; she can be contacted at the radio station.

**Karen Radkowsky** wrote to say how much she enjoyed our Reunion last May, but wishes future events would be scheduled with our Columbia counterparts. Karen is a vp and associate research director at BBDO Advertising and is responsible for a number of accounts including Lever Brothers, Gillette and Best Foods. She also serves as president of DOROT, a non-profit agency which serves the homebound and homeless elderly.

A nice letter from **Deborah Newman Shapiro** filled me in on her life. Deborah lives in Passaic Park, NJ, with her husband of ten years, Oliver Shapiro. They have three children: Zachary Adam 3, Osias Harold 2, and Maxwell Gregory 9 months. Deborah received her MBA from Ohio State in 1983 and is a senior consultant at Deloitte and Touche. Oliver is a quality assurance manager at Consumer Products Testing Company. Deborah says she would like to hear from **Theresa Mara Woolverton**, **Bridget O'Brian**, and **Margo Amgott**.

**Marian Moore** reports that she is living in Minneapolis with her husband of two years, Tim Whalen, and their 1-year-old boy, Jaime. She is also continuing concert production activities as a member of the board of Concerts for the Environment, which produced a stadium-sized concert in conjunction with Earth Day 1990.

**Julie Bernstein** received her MFA from UCLA. She is involved in mixed-media constructions that incorporate paintings. She is also at work for one of the J. Paul Getty programs on a project regarding computerized matching of different versions of artists' names.

**Barbara Field** and her husband, Paul C. Pearson, had their first child, Adam Cody Pearson, in February 1990. Barbara says she would love to hear from alumnae in the La Jolla/Southern California area.

**Ruth Zodkevitch-Scher**, MD, was recently appointed to the department of radiology at St. Francis Medical Center in New Jersey. Ruth received her medical degree from the State University College of Medicine at Syracuse and did her residency at the University Hospital of Medicine and Dentistry of NJ. Ruth completed a fellowship in computer tomography, ultrasound and magnetic resonance imaging at Thomas Jefferson Univ. Hospital in Philadelphia.

**Carol Ways**, MD, is a physician in family practice at Maple Urgent Care in Ann Arbor, MI, where she lives with husband Robert Soichet.

**Rosa Maria Crum**, MD, is a clinical fellow in psychiatry and epidemiology at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She is married to Richard J. O'Brien, MD, PhD.

**Meredith Smith** is a research scientist at the Health Research Program at NYU. She is married to A. Stephen Pack, MD.

**Ilise Levy Feitshans** is back in the Bronx! She is currently assistant director, Legislative Drafting Research Fund at Columbia Law School.

**Sara Averick Rosenfeld** wrote to fill me in on herself and several others. Sara and husband Juri had their first child, Nechemyah Chayim (Nathaniel), in October 1989. For the past eight years, she has worked with AIPAL, the pro-Israel lobby, and has been its director of research and information for the past two years. She has recently relocated to Israel to join the new English language newsmagazine *The Jerusalem Agent* as an assistant editor for the Americas in the world Jewry section. She wishes to get in touch with **Barbara Talansky Schwarz**. Sara's new address is: 25 Hatayasim St., #5, Jerusalem, Israel 92507.

Sara reports that **Martha Weiss Fredman** is expecting her fourth child with husband Dr. Joel Fredman, and resides in the outskirts of Jerusalem. **Sondra Oster Baras**, also a lawyer in Israel, just had her fifth child. Sara is in touch with Dr. **Linda Kalish-Marcus** who lives in Riverdale with husband Jay and their four children, as well as **Wendy Friedman Serlin** '80 who lives in Washington with husband Phil and daughter Yael. **Tova Osofsky**, Sara reports, is living in Chicago with husband Dr. Aron Buchman and their three children. Another Chicagoan is **Debbie Crystal**, who is married and has a baby. **Nina Oppenheimer** '78 is a lawyer and lives in Queens with husband Joseph and three daughters.

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It seems as if it were only yesterday when I was rushing to meet the class notes deadline before rushing to catch a flight to a fancy port-of-call. Now it's rushing to meet this class notes deadline so you



all can hear about the Moms, Supermoms, Super-singles, and Superdoopers of our class who became reacquainted at our tenth-year Reunion weekend.

The Reunion marked an end to one chapter and the beginning of another for many of us including me. On March 2, Jim and I had a baby boy named John. So, now those fancy flights are landing at the ports of pediatricians, drugstores, Toys 'R Us, and the baby department at Bloomingdale's.

It's the Land of Perpetual Exhaustion (LOPE) for me. I'm sure many of our nouveau-moms would agree, whether they're returning to work (like me) or doing some part-time or stay-at-home arrangement. Our Reunion brought together an array of combinations. **Toby Freilich Appleton** has a 2½-year-old daughter named Noa. They live in Englewood, NJ, and Toby is a part-time film producer. **Leslie Hoch** (who looks wonderfully thin—I'm jealous) had a baby girl named Laura on Feb. 25 (5 lbs., 11 oz.). Leslie will probably be going back to work in September as the product development manager of special publications at MOMA. **Judy Frisch** had a baby girl named Lindsay in January. Judy maintains she is not going back to work for a while.

**Martha Solt Dozier**, openly admitted citizen of LOPE, has a 2-year-old named Will and an 8-year-old named Danny. She works at the Office of Thrift Supervision in Washington, DC. (If motherhood isn't enough, how about the babysitting of thousands of bankers?) I had a nice long chat with **Soula (Aspasia) Draga**. After swapping stories about being married to Greek men (we agree they make the best husbands), we also commiserated on the joys of motherhood while pursuing busy careers. Since my maternity leave ended that next Monday, I needed to know what horrors awaited me. Soula gracefully combines, so I guess I'll live. She's an ophthalmologist in Bayside, Queens, specializing in corneal surgery. She's also teaching at Long Island Jewish Hospital and is a resident instructor at Manhattan Eye and Ear. In between, she and Paul Gergoudis raise their son, Konstantine, who was born on Christmas Day 1988.

At the swank cocktail party (organized by **Mandy Huang**) the next afternoon, I spoke with a few other mommies. I heard through **Rosemary Volpe** that **Grazia Rechichi Svokos** and her husband, George, are living in Mexico, Missouri. They have two children. Rosemary is with the American Institute of CPAS' *Tax Advisor* magazine and is taking courses for botanical illustration.

**Simone Bloch Wehba** attended with her husband, John, and their two children, Hannah and Lucy. Simone is a full-time mom for now. Her children are adorable!

By the way, **Arlene Infante Turner** did the catering for the cocktail party and everything was delicious! Arlene put together an incredible spread,

at what was reported to be a last-minute request. She and her husband live in Plainsboro, NJ, and have an 18-month-old named Daniel Lee in addition to Arlene's catering business. Her number is 609-275-3719 and she comes highly recommended by a discerning critic.

And speaking of *Mary Larocca* (in whose debt I will always value at \$40), she is living in the Boston area and managing a Center of Intellectuals at MIT. Other non-residents who showed up during Reunion weekend included *Edyah Kazan*, who is living in Washington, DC, and working on the HUD scandal for the Mortgage Banking Company; *Rumu Sarkar*, also in Washington, an attorney at the Agency for International Development; and *Robin Bronzaft Howald*, who just wanted to let everyone know she was there. Robin lives in California and is practicing law.

*Christine Pardo Chudnovsky* is also a lawyer, working in Manhattan. Chris is married to a professor on the math faculty at Columbia and lives just four blocks from Barnard. More legals include *Valerie Schwarz*, who was Class Fund chairman for the last five years. Her parting words were of thanks to those who donated and envelopes to those who didn't. She made an example of me, "The Last Hold-Out"—what an honor. *Nathalie Parchment* is also an attorney doing freelance and real estate. *Beatrice Maugeri* is back in New York, married, and working as an attorney for Dutchess County. The "Wow, do you look great!" award went to *Maryam Toosie*, who is doing corporate commercial litigation for Cadwalader, Wickersham, and Taft.

In the miscellaneous category (my personal favorite) we have *Hey Ran Choi Toh*, who's happily married and still at Security Pacific trading currencies; *Lois Elfman*, who is writing and developing ideas for television while very active as a photographer; and *Helen Hess*, who left the sales field to start a master's in social work at Rutgers.

*Christiane Thibodeau Abbott* got her master's in public health at Columbia and is now administrator of medical staff services at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital. She's married to Mark (CC '76) and says hello to *Hanna Hutchins*. Christiane reports her freshman roommate, *Lourdes Lopez*, works with a literary agent.

Finally, *Penny Grant* was here with her husband. They live in Miami where Penny is on the faculty of the U of Miami and practicing pediatrics.

I have much more news about our classmates written in via letters, surveys, and alumnae office updates, but I really wanted to devote this column to classmates I talked to among those who made the effort to come to the Reunion events. Don't worry, I'll catch up in the next column. Meanwhile, special notice should be given to *Tina Steck* who did a great job with this column for the last five years and who came up from Washington, DC, at the last minute. It was really wonderful to see everyone ten years later and *Paula Franzese* couldn't have said it better. We are still and always will be sisters and part of a family sharing beautiful memories of an idyllic time in our lives. Thanks to those that helped organize the weekend: *Valerie Schwarz*, *Mandy Huang*, *Paula Franzese*, *Tania Wilk*, and *Brenda Clark*. Next time I'd better see *Beth Mann* and *Karen Schaefer*. Look, if Mary could come out of hiding, there's no excuse for you!

Meanwhile, you're stuck with me again for the next five years. It feels good to be writing something other than memos. I'd like to go on but I have to bathe the baby now.

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Greetings, all. You're in for a long column this go-round, as a personally distracting year made me fall behind, and your letters kept piling up. Firstly, to make sure I get your news, note the new address above. A whole four blocks away from where I was before, but with a yard—yes, as I write this I'm gazing out at my own apple tree growing in Brooklyn. Who says you can't have it all?

Speaking of having it all, *Abby Cahn Platt* writes that she and her photojournalist husband have left NY for a beautiful house in Plymouth, NH, from which she will "commute" to NY by modem, continuing her work transcribing music on computer. Keep your ears open for the rock band she's hoping to form up there. Also moved north is *Elise Hill Turner*, who completed her PhD in computer science at Georgia Institute of Technology last December and is now on the computer science faculty at the University of New Hampshire, where she is continuing her work in artificial intelligence and natural language. Elise married fellow computer scientist Roy in January 1988.

*Claudia N. Campbell* is a scientist at Ortho Diagnostic Systems, a division of Johnson & Johnson, where she develops diagnostic tests for infectious diseases. In her spare time, she is busy with church activities and dance classes—ballet and flamenco.

*Anne E. Bolles-Beaven* was ordained a priest in the Episcopal Church in March at St. Ann and the Holy Trinity here in Brooklyn Heights and works there part time.

*Amy Wehrenberg-Parker*, who received her master's in European history from Brandeis, is a development officer/grant writer for the New England Aquarium in Boston as well as mother of a 2 1/2-year-old son. *Harley Klein April*, married to Brad, lives in New Rochelle, where she is raising three children; she is also assisting at the New School Culinary Institute in NYC.

*Jana Schulman* received a Fulbright grant last year in Icelandic legal history and literature. *Karen Bowyer-Bower* writes of her legal experiences in London, where she is an associate solicitor at Halsey Lightly, a firm by St. James' Park. She also has an Italian boyfriend who is a lawyer, so she travels a lot... enough already, Karen! (By the way, I've passed your message on to Dave, whom I see often, and he's doing great.)

Several classmates are part of US legal history: *Jane Butkiewicz Parker* is working as a third year associate at Mudge Rose in the Wall Street area. *Phyllis E. Pette*, also in NY, is doing budget and fiscal work for all citywide civil courts and is awaiting her promotion to the title of associate court clerk. *Donna Kuhn Pesin* is working for a law firm in St. Louis for a year and a half while her husband is doing a fellowship. She has two daughters, Elyssa 4 and Jennifer Lynn 2.

On to the health professions. *Deborah L. Ungerleider* has joined a private practice in NJ, where she resides after finishing a pediatric residency and chief residency at NYU Medical Center. *Dena Greenbaum Lieblich* graduated from Columbia Dental School in 1987, spent a year practicing in Israel, and is now living, working and caring for her 3-year-old son, Benjamin Eliyahu, and 1-year-old daughter, Michal David, in Highland Park, NJ. The Ridgewood (NJ) *Sunday Post* reports that *Laura Denson Baum* has been appointed to the staff of the Hackensack Medical Center, where she is a clinical assistant in its department of psychiatry. *Marcy Goldstein Bellin* graduated from Albert Einstein College of Medicine last May, three weeks after her son Judah Jacob was born (Elisha Sarah is 3), and took a year off before starting her internship/residency.

A rundown of new marriages: *Joy Joseph*, a lawyer here in NY, married fellow lawyer Jorge Dopico in April 1989. Also that month, *Nicole Lowen Viana*, a vp in mortgage-backed securities at Shearson Lehman Hutton, married Paul Viana, a vp at Citicorp. *Joan Miles*, an assistant regional counsel with the EPA in NY, married fellow lawyer Clifford Allan Bob last November.

And new babies: *Jacqueline Spritz Rose* has a daughter, Alix, now 21 months old. *Ann Turobiner Dachs* and husband Jonathan had daughter Nina Emily last June. *Vivian Altman* and husband Rodrigo had a son, Julian, on August 24. *Jessica Braus* and husband Daniel Glass were joined by son Samuel on December 12. Jessica "reluctantly" returned to work in February, where she represents plaintiffs in personal injury and worker's compensation cases. And *Mary Morrissey Bradley* and husband Kevin had son Stephen Robert on Feb. 28.

Finally, a long letter from *Ann Koshel Van Buren* is representative of our collective lives, loves, work. It begins with the sad news of the death of *Mary Umberger*, but continues with happier stories: *Lisa Friedman* is married to Tom Mellins and is a freelance copywriter in Manhattan. *Maris O'Brien* is married to Larry Elder and lives in a 200-year-old house with a porch, yard and trees. *Ann Phelan* is an artist living in San Francisco, where she just had a show. *Laura Whitman* is a physician at NYU Medical Center but took a break to go to yoga camp in the Bahamas. And Ann (Van Buren) and her husband, Tom, have moved to Providence. After having taught in China, Ann is now teaching Spanish at an alternative high school and English at the Rhode Island School of Design.

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Happy summer, one and all. Those cards and letters have finally been coming in and I have lots of news.

First, some news of my own. This summer I am completing my master's degree in education, concentrating in reading instruction. I am presently teaching fourth grade at the magnet school in New Rochelle.

*Janeil Strong*, another person who completed the Barnard Education Program in '82, finished her master's in administration at Harvard. She has been working as academic coordinator of the Watermark Program. Watermark is a year-long academic program for dyslexic high school students conducted aboard a 156-foot schooner. It certainly makes my classroom seem dull!

*Marcia Hepps* is an MFA graduate at Brandeis, where she is also an artist-in-residence. Once her degree is completed, Marcia hopes to teach and pass along what she says is "some of what Kenneth Janes gave me." Marcia is acting in Boston and recently bought a house in Lexington, MA, with William Keeney (CC '79). Let's hear it for teachers—Barnard alumnae as teachers!

A few wedding, baby, and miscellaneous announcements: *Roni Rubenstein* married Dr. Barry David Benson last December. Roni received her JD degree from NYU and is now an associate with the New York law firm of Shearman & Sterling. *Laura Joachim*, a fourth-year medical student at SUNY Downstate, married Dr. Martin Reichel in July. He is an '83 graduate of Harvard.

*Annie Brako* sent news in her holiday card last December. (Yes, there is a lag time between when I get the news and when it makes it into the *Alumnae Magazine*... but it's not usually this long!) Annie is still editor of *Product Insight* of Digital Corp. She is as infatuated with computers as ever. She even did her master's thesis at Boston U on conducting business meetings on the computer instead of in a boardroom. Well, Annie has become engaged to Richard Sayde. They used the public data network to keep in touch while he was working on his master's at Cornell! As Annie said, "Goodbye computer, hello romance!"

*Meredith Jacobson* married Eric Greenblatt (P&S '86) in December in Philadelphia. *Tracy Lafond* was maid of honor. Classmates present included *Pamela Spence Murray*, *Colleen Barr Bouzwa*, *Lisa Deschenes* and Dr. *Christina Creatura*. (The wedding cake was dark chocolate with chocolate frosting.) Mercedes also told us that Tracy and new husband John Barakat (MBA '88) are heading for Tokyo this summer.

*Donna Wingshee Loo* sent in much news about herself and other classmates. Donna and husband Mark recently celebrated their son Christopher's 1st birthday. Dr. *Angela Mei Chan* serves as chief resident in pediatrics at Albert Einstein Hospital and is married to a physician; *Shirley Chu* got her MBA from Sloan (MIT) and is working at Apple Computers; *Wonda Liu Clyatt* is a lawyer and is living in Japan with her husband; and *Mary Lopez* married Dr. Steven Athanail two years ago and is an actress.

*Alise Reicin* writes that "Bob and I gave birth to our first child, Daniel Ian, on March 18th." Alise took

a 2½-month maternity leave and started an ID fellowship at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in July.

**Sara Schwatlo Taddeo**'s son James was born in November '89. At the time of writing, Sara was preparing for PhD exams in comparative literature at Penn.

Congratulations to one and all!

**Julie Marden-Princiotti** was part of a string duet that played in March at the Westport (CT) Public Library. As a member of the Sapphire Players, a chamber group, she has performed in NY and New England and with the Springfield (MA) Symphony Orchestra. Julie is also an instructor of violin and viola at the Westport School of Music. She has a master of music in violin performance from the Manhattan School of Music.

**Jean Golden-Tevald** recently opened her own office in family practice and obstetrics in Pittstown, NJ. Jeannie has also joined the department of family practice at Hunterdon Medical Center. **Nadine Mandell Keegan** completed her residency in pediatrics at Mt. Sinai and is an anesthesiology resident at the same hospital; husband Leo is a surgical resident at Long Island Jewish Medical Center. **Maria Georgsson** graduated from P&S in May and will be doing her anesthesiology residency in Boston at Mass General. Maria's met several Barnard alumnae over the years, doing residencies at various hospitals in the NYC area, and she's sure she'll be seeing more when she moves to Boston. Maria has also written to say that she enjoys reading about what everyone has been up to, so please, folks, keep us all informed. Keep writing.

**Victoria Nelson Reisenbach** has been named associate publisher and national sales director of *Utne Reader* and will work out of the magazine's new Manhattan sales office. **Laura Garner Saale** is an associate buyer in outerwear for the Limited Express. Laura and husband Daniel recently relocated to Columbus, OH. **Julia Held** lives in Cambridge, MA, and is the program coordinator for the Center for Adult Education. Julia has been at the CAE for four years.

I received a wonderfully long letter from **Betty Liu**. Betty is an architect at Frank Williams & Assoc. in NY and is working on the new Regent Hotel, to be built on 57th St. She has been married since July 1988 to William Wong, an assistant vp at Merrill Lynch in systems programming. Betty also sent news of her sister, **Vicky Liu**. After graduating from NY Medical College, Vicky completed her pediatric residency at the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles, where she then worked in the emergency department. In July, Vicky began an infectious disease fellowship at Children's Medical Center in Seattle, WA.

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In the hope of making up for my sparse Winter column, I am hereby warning you that if you are looking for your name, you may have to read on for a while.

No need to worry about the US Postal Service—yes, **Sharon Gerstman Chapman**, I did get your announcement twice, and I apologize for the delay in getting it into print, but here goes: Sharon and husband Kevin (CC'83) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Samantha Megan, on September 7, 1989. Sharon is an administrative law judge for the NYC Dept of Environmental Protection and Kevin is an attorney with Proskauer, Rose, Goetz & Mendelsohn.

**Catherine Koza** wrote that she was completing MIT's master's degree program in city and regional planning, focusing on the impact of refugees on third world host countries. She received the Wilson Award last year, which provided funds for research in Pakistan during the summer of 1989. For her thesis, Catherine examined the potential use of cross-border agricultural products in Afghanistan as a means of facilitating refugee repatriation. She split her time between Islamabad and Peshawar, and then spent about ten days working with an interpreter in the southern city of Quetta interviewing Afghans about the conditions necessary for their return.

**Beth Hardiman** graduated from Einstein in June 1988 along with **Hadar Lubin**, **Adrienne Birnbaum** '82 and **Julie Stein**—congrats to all! Beth spent a year of ob/gyn internship at the U of Chicago and moved to Boston to complete her residency at Beth Israel. She says she loves delivering babies although she seldom gets enough sleep.

Another Boston transplant, **Lisa Najavits**, moved to that area—Arlington, to be exact—to do an internship in clinical psychology at McLean Hospital—Harvard Medical School. Lisa is working on a dissertation and would love to hear from Barnard alumnae who are in or passing through the area. That includes **Catherine Schwartz Cotton**, who lives in nearby Brookline with her husband, Harvey Cotton (CC'81), and their now-13-month-old son, Benjamin, "who is cute as a button, naturally." Catherine is orchestra manager for the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras, but is currently working part-time "so that I can spend more time at home with my baby!"

And **Barbara Lovis** is happy to be back in Boston, having graduated from Harvard Business School two years ago. Barb is still with Pepsi, now as associate area marketing manager. She survived her 10th-year high school reunion—"actually had a great time!" she says. Other Harvard Bus. School grads are **Miho Nishimura Aoki** and her husband, Tomoya, who live in Brooklyn Heights. Miho left Wall St. in December ("after I received my bonus," she notes) to become manager of strategic analysis in Corporate Strategic Planning at Pfizer Inc.

**Lavrine Garrity** and E. Michael Bernhart were married on September 30, '89. At the wedding were Dr. **Maureen Del Re**, **Linda Dellicarri**, and **Marcella Bernard** '85. Lavrine is an account supervisor with Levine, Huntley, Schmidt & Beaver, working on new product development for Frito-Lay and Ralston Purina. Her husband is a specialist clerk with ABD-NY on the NYSE.

**Lynn Chinitz** married Dr. Steven Gruenstein on March 3; she has completed her third year of residency in radiology at Beth Israel Medical Center. Steven is a hematologist-oncologist.

In other parts of the world, **Clare Delmar** and husband Brian Lynch have purchased a garden flat in central London, the "lovely city" in which they have been living for the past two years. Clare is a management consultant for Coopers & Lybrand, where she works primarily with companies on commercializing and marketing new technologies. She would love to hear from anyone passing through London.

For those venturing farther north, **Mira Renchner-Kelly** resides in Yorkshire with husband Peter—they were married in August '89. Mira is a psychotherapist and is setting up a private practice in individual, couple and family therapy.

Across the Channel, in Paris, **Florence Bauchard** is a financial reporter for one of the major French business papers, *La Tribune De L'Expansion*. Florence requests news from **Dorothy Kauffman**, **Helen Gleason** and **Valentina Ortiz** '84.

**Lisa Ochs** lives in San Francisco, just two blocks from Golden Gate Park. She is studying nursing at SF State, working for Planned Parenthood, and singing in the SF Choral Society. Dr. **Saralyn Mark** is also in San Francisco, where she is in internal medicine at UCSF Medical Center.

In Los Angeles, **Barbara Brown Chasman** is the assistant to the CFO at the Randy Washington Co.

From the mid-west, we heard from **Elisabeth M. Callahan**, who married James F. Johnson last October 14 and lives in Iowa, and from **Chris Prociu**, who was, at the time of writing, planning her July 28 wedding to Reyn Leutz. Chris and Reyn live in Minneapolis and work at General Mills, Chris as an asst. product manager on Honey Nut Cheerios and Reyn as manager of media services.

In the news is **Sharon Dizenguz**, who is producing and reporting for "A Current Affair."

**Kristine Polisciano** is in her sixth (count 'em, six) year of special ed. teaching; she's at a new school in the Bronx and is very happy.

**Nina Polywko** is a student at Cardozo School of Law in NY.

**Vivian Newman** and husband Moses Pava send news of daughter Rebecca Arielle, born July 2, 1989.



## ASSOCIATE ALUMNAE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

Each year, the AABC awards fellowships for graduate study to Barnard seniors or alumnae who show exceptional promise in their chosen fields. Last year the awards totaled \$8000.

More detailed information and application forms can be obtained from the Fellowship Committee, Associate Alumnae of Barnard College, 3009 Broadway, New York, NY 10027-6598 (Room 224 Milbank).

Completed applications must be filed by

January 5, 1991.



Vivian also completed the Infant and Parent Development Program at Bank Street College and received her MS in education. She is at home enjoying her daughter and doing some consulting work for child care programs.

**Mary C. Hutton** and husband Peter Burgi (CC'83) are busy with their baby daughter, Julia Claire, born February 1989. **Yanick Dejean Dugue** and MD husband Gabriel had a baby girl, Rachel, on October 7, '89. Yanick is a physician assistant at Montefiore Hospital in NY.

**Suzi Stein** wrote that she is still working full time for Arts Partners with boss **Carol Schott Sterling** '58 and attending The New School for Social Research at night; she is a master's degree candidate in non-profit management and won a Mayor's Scholarship. "Going back to school for the first time since Barnard is very scary!... In July (1989), I took a wonderful trip to Senegal and the Gambia, West Africa, with Danny Miller (CC'80)... It was hard to come back!... FYI, Joe DiGenova (CC'81) is in my class at The New School." Suzy sent word of **Kelley Forsyth**, who is marrying Darius Solohub (CC'83) in September, and of **Heidi Levitt**, who by now is married to Charlie Hess (CC'83). Heidi lives in L.A., where she works in casting and Charlie is an art director. **Judy Stein**, Suzy's sister, is still working at the Ford Foundation and taking Spanish at NYU. Their mom, **Diana Borut Stein** '58, is still a professor of botany at Mt. Holyoke, "except when she takes jaunts to Germany, Japan, etc. as a guest lecturer, or when she's serving on panels for the National Science Foundation. Judy and I are very proud of her," says Suzy.

Finally, I enjoyed my own wedding on November 26, 1989, to Asher Nathan. Among the bridesmaids were **Shoshana Botnick**, **Minna Ferziger** '84, and **Hillary Sobel** '85. My flower girl was Shira Wakschlag, daughter of **Laurie Weinzwieg Wakschlag** '80, and **Tamar Landes** '85 was also in attendance.

I recently went on a nature hike with **Miriam Isserow**, who graduated from the Law School of Hebrew U in Jerusalem and passed the Israel bar. On a recent visit to NY I saw **Margie Siver** '82, **Lois Gimpel** '82, and **Lori Golinko**, who is expecting her and Brett's first child in August. (The sonogram Lori showed me was amazing!)

I hope this is enough news to tide you over to the next issue. I love your notes and letters; they make me feel a little more in touch over the miles. You can write to me directly or through the Alumnae Office. I hope that any of you who visit Israel look me up—we have plenty of space and love entertaining, and I am taking a tour-guide course and would love to practice on fellow alumnae. See ya!

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**Miriam Wahrman** graduated from Columbia Law and Business Schools and is practicing as an attorney at Morgan Lewis and Bockius in NYC. Miriam was a member of a panel entitled "Law: Its Several Faces," last winter at Barnard, along with **Georgia Pestana**, an assistant corporation counsel for the NYC Law Department.

**Beryl Forrest** is a lawyer at Kurzman, Karelson and Frank in NYC and is married to David Mazella (CC '84), a grad student in English at Columbia. **Deborah Maisel** is an attorney at Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer and Feld in Washington, DC. **Fiona Biggs** is working at Dreyfus as a portfolio manager. **Lisa Gavins** married George **Fenton** last October and is living in the San Francisco Bay area; she is a structural engineer at Lockheed Space Systems Divisions. **Carol Garlington** is a social worker at the 92nd Street Y. **Karen Panton** is a teacher at the Fairfax public schools in Virginia.

**Bea Krain** has moved to the real estate department of Kaye Scholer, Fierman, Hays and Handler in NYC.

**Michelina DeSanti** graduated from UMDNJ School of Osteopathic Medicine. Michelina has completed a one-year internship and will begin Ob/Gyn residency.

**Mariana Bernunzo** received her MBA from NYU last February as a part-time night student. **Gail Holler Novetsky** '83 also received her MBA from NYU and is busy with her two kids: Joseph 3 and Michal 8 months. **Kirrinjit Gill** is a student at CUNY Law School.

**Amy Carley** is enrolled in an MFA program at Hunter, majoring in combined media. She is also working as a dining room manager at a small luxury hotel, The Lowell.

News from overseas: **Yvonne Kerno** is living in Tokyo, Japan, and is a language consultant. She is enjoying Japan and plans to stay there for a few years; she hopes to learn Japanese and discover more about the traditional arts. **Judith Gilbert** is a freelance writer in West Germany. In December 1989 Judith had her first volume of poetry published, *Times Square*, and is awaiting another publication, *Born For Chinchilla*, a short story collection, in the fall. She received her master's in German from the U of Regensburg and is working as a film editor for a German newspaper.

**Lizzie Zucker Saltz** won an award for ceramic sculpture, "Humphrey Twins," in San Mateo last fall. **Jeanette Walls** writes the "Intelligencer" column for *New York Magazine*.

**Sara Pressman** is a medical student at Rusk Medical College in Chicago. She misses the "liberal and cosmopolitan nature of the entire Columbia campus, to which I hope to return in the near future." She wrote a lovely letter in regard to the passing of Julie Marsteller, dean of the Office of Disabled Students. "The loss of such a brave woman must impact greatly on the entire Barnard community."

On behalf of the Class of 1984, I would like to express my deep sympathy to the family and friends of Dean Marsteller. She was a great inspiration to the Barnard community.

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#### Class Officers 1990-95

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Correspondent: Alisa Bachana Jaffe

I was glad to see many classmates at our fifth year Reunion. I have tons of news to report. **Alisa Bachana Jaffe**, who will be taking over this column, is married to an attorney, works as an aerospace defense securities analyst for Shearson Lehman Hutton, and is studying for her chartered financial analyst designation. **Lisa Halustick** is also at Shearson Lehman Hutton. Lisa received her master's in international affairs at Harvard and is an international investment banker



primarily involved in developing business with the Soviet Union. **Consuelo Marquez** also works in international banking. She worked in investment banking for 4 years, lived in London for a year, and is now back in NY.

**Karen Bloom** lives in New Jersey and is applying to business school. **Rowena Tabora** graduated from NYU business school. **Sarah Morgenthau** has been at Columbia Law. **Bernice Clark** lives in Chicago and is an account executive at Leo Burnett advertising. Bernice recently won a piano competition.

**JoAnn Crudo** will go from NY Medical College in Westchester to an internship in Los Angeles. **Shiu-Lin Tsai** is still a student at NY Medical College. **Elizabeth Moreno** is a dentist going into private practice. She is doing her residency at Long Island College Hospital. **Maria Emanuel Ryan** is married and lives in Farmington, CT. She graduated from Stony Brook dental school and is in a residency program in periodontology at the UConn Health Center.

**Abigail Weidenbaum** is an attorney practicing civil litigation in Brookline, MA. She reported that **Tamar Krongrad** received a master's in international affairs from Columbia SIA, concentrating on Middle-Eastern studies, and also graduated from Boston U law school. **Shoshana Peysar** received a double master's from Columbia in social work and health management. She works with terminally ill cancer patients. Abby also reported that **Molly Welsing** received a master's in Russian literature from UC-Berkeley.

**Susan Corwin Gilman** is married and lives in Amherst, MA, where she is assistant director of annual giving at Springfield College. **Diane Cohen** lives in NY and works at the Fleming School in administration. Diane is also a freelance translator of French. **Lisa Foley** works at Prodigy Services Company in White Plains and attends Pace Business School in the evenings. **Laura Jacobus** works in the NYC Office of Operations.

**Tamar Landes** has a master's in social work from Hunter College. She is the volunteer coordinator for Big Sisters. Tamar also works as a psychotherapist. **Linda Pardes** worked at the Federal Reserve Bank for three years as an analyst of balance of payments data and as analyst of government bond dealers on Wall Street. She moved to Israel and studied at the Pardes Institute for Jewish Studies for one year and then worked with Soviet Jewish children in Ladispoli, Italy. Currently, Linda is in New York completing her MBA in international business. She plans to settle in Israel in September.

Several classmates have mailed in news. **Monique Tewarson** received a master's of environmental engineering from Stanford in 1989. She works for Consolidated Hydro in Greenwich, CT. **Lauren Tarshis** wrote a book entitled *Taking Off: Extraordinary Ways to Spend Your First Year Out of College*. Her book contains everything a recent college grad would need to know to get involved in full-time volunteer opportunities, expense-paid internships, and legitimate jobs in foreign countries.

**Jamie Gavrin** was graduated from Columbia Law and is an associate at LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby and MacRae. **Nina Brennan** is enrolled in the master's program in interdepartmental studies at the Jewish

Theological Seminary. She says that it is good to be back in school after working for four years. **Nina Pivoz** is an associate at the law firm of Fulbright, Jaworski. **Elizabeth Edersheim** will be attending Columbia Business School in the fall. **Shadbanou Mirfendereski** is married and is self-employed as a writer. **Mona Zessimopoulos** is married and is an attorney with Fisher and Fisher.

**Melanie LeMaistre** is a museum technician at the American Museum of Natural History. **Christina Danielli** completed a master's in art history at the U of Rome. She is enrolled in a two-year painting conservation program and works part time for an art gallery. **Jolinda Mester Leider** is married and is an intern at Montefiore Medical Center. **Julia Harrison** is an assistant sales manager at the Korea Trade Center. **Diana K. Brown** is married and works as an attorney with Brobeck, Phleger and Harrison. **Emily Sahlman** is a literary agent with Sanford, Beckett & Associates in Los Angeles, CA.

**Alexa Junge** co-wrote an original musical called *Galileo* with **Jeanine Tesoriero Levenson** '83 and Keith Levenson. *Galileo* was recently produced at the Studio Arena Theatre in Buffalo, NY. It was a half-million dollar production which was extended and received unanimously favorable reviews. Alexa is heading out to California for another production in May and hopes to make it to Broadway sometime in 1992.

Finally, I am a litigator in the law department of the NYC Housing Authority. It has been a real pleasure to serve as your class correspondent during the last five years.

—Maris Liss

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On St. Patrick's Day I met with **Liza Chianelli** and **Julie Goss** to start planning our 5th year class Reunion... can you believe it? Already? Yes, indeed. And if you'd like to help us plan or work on Reunion, please contact me or the Alumnae Office.

When I saw the movie *The Handmaid's Tale* in Chelsea, I bumped into **Dawn Cohen**. Not long after that I went to the Ritz (the new Ritz, housed on the former Studio 54 site) to see some loud, frenetic bands—and I ran into **Rhoda Quan** and **Tina Fong**. We were three of the more mild-mannered folks in attendance. Rhoda works for a business firm in the music field; Tina works for *Newsweek*. Speaking of the Ritz, I'd talked with **Judy Chang** at a concert there several months earlier. We love the night life...

**Lisa Ryan** married SEAS alum **Hunter Fugger** at the end of December. She lives and works in Manhattan. They were wed in St. Paul's Chapel.

**Eva Grayzel** married Kenneth Cohen in May. She wants to hear from **Mary Pucelik Gorlick**. She has a business called Story Theatre.

**Elizabeth Biltchik** is a foreign language officer at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

**Constantina Pantazis** is studying at Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management. Before this she worked as a financial analyst.

*Cheryl Cooper* works at the NYC Board of Education on the technical staff.

*Allison Marshall Hermann* is a doctoral candidate at Princeton.

*Catherine Jordi* is a student at SIA, Columbia.

*Yolanda Chavez* was appointed by Mayor Tom Bradley to the position of East/Northeast Los Angeles area coordinator and Hispanic liaison for the Mayor's Office. Chavez has a master's from SIPA and had served as a research associate for Bradley since September 1989.

*Anna Ljung* has completed her master's in art history at the Cooper-Hewitt Museum. She was wed in June 1989.

*Persephone Zill* is the director of financial operations for American Ballet Theater. She used to manage Miss Ruby's Café. She lives in Manhattan and wants to hear from: *Chaya Deitch, Monica Blum, and Sarah Pressman '84*.

I went back to teaching and am a social studies teacher and grade advisor at Manhattan Comprehensive Night HS. For the most part I really enjoy it—the students are nice, and I don't mind the later hours (who needs TV?!). One of my colleagues works days at Columbia's Social Work school. I'm also doing freelance writing and photography, and breaking lots of boards in karate class. (I'm up to four boards for a punch.)

Hope to hear from more of you—soon!

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Welcome to another edition of Class Notes. I'm in the unusual position of having lots to report, so I'll try to be brief. *Karen Benson* tells us that she has been working for a small tourism company in Valdez, AK, where she got the chance to work on the Exxon Valdez oil spill right after it happened. "I'm glad the rest of the world did not have to smell oil a foot deep or watch sea otters and birds choke and drown in their natural habitat," she says of her experience. On the brighter side, Karen got married in January. Also married was *Alexandra Daly*, to Michael Clurman, in May. She works as a fashion editorial director at the Keeble, Cavaco & Duka public relations and advertising concern here in New York.

*Tracey Donner* has patiently waited for me to include her news, since I lost the first very informative letter she sent me. She reports that she has started her own business representing commercial photographers and illustrators. She says it's hard work to start your own business, but she recommends doing it. Tracey is extremely proud of *Margo Garrett*, who completed her master's in education and is teaching in the Boston public schools.

In the health fields, not only has *Sui Y. Zee* made it through her third year at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, she was also the first recipient of the Jeffrey Schulman Memorial Scholarship. In being awarded the prize, she was described as "a remarkable young woman with guts, stamina, and emotional balance." *Wanda Gonzalez* reports that while doing a rotation in Pediatrics at Mass. General, she ran into *Susan Hollander*, who was doing her social work internship in the same pediatrics unit. *Allison Barnett* wrote me a note saying that she was in her second year at Mt. Sinai Med. School and engaged to fellow student Jon Seckler (CC '87). *Suzanne Herzberg* is working as an occupational therapist.

Those of us who are actively pursuing graduate degrees include *Civia Ainspan White*, who received a master's in Library and Information Science; she did her internship at the Rhode Island State House legislative library. *Shira Atik* is a graduate student in modern Hebrew at NYU. *Hibi Pendleton* is also doing graduate work at NYU. And *Pearl Chin* is a part-time student in the MBA program there, while working full-time. *Martha Henderson* finished her second year of graduate school in architecture at Princeton. *Nora Emekli* is at the Yale School of Organization and Management.

In the executive field, *M. Suzanne Keech* joined Metropolitan Life Real Estate Investments as an investment analyst in their Washington, DC office,

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and is in her final rotation in the firm's Management Associate Program. *Leslie B. Stern* reports that she is a senior analyst at Morgan Stanley. *Deirdre Fogarty* is working as an executive recruiter at Judd-Fisher, Inc. here in New York.

Finally, I am very happy in my job at NYC's Human Resources Administration as a policy analyst working on foster care issues.

Thank you to everyone who wrote. I'm sure our classmates are glad to hear of your doings. Until next time...

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Nice news—though not really new news—from two classmates. *Antonella Severo* married Vince Rubino last September. They are living in Brooklyn Heights and she is working in the public relations office at Bank Street College of Education.

*Kimberlee Pietrzak-Smith* was married in May '89 to James David Smith and lives in Toronto. *Deanna Schindel Stecker, Anne Whittemore, Laurie Bergman '89, Lee Ilan (CC '87), Marina Friscic '89*, and many members of IEP fraternity attended the wedding, which was held on Long Island and performed by Pastor Al Ahlstrom, CU campus pastor.

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It's been one year since graduation and our class has been active in many different areas both in school and at work.

I received a letter from *Marianne Novak*, who is in law school at Washington U in St. Louis and is loving it. She says there's a lot to do and the people are friendly. She was looking forward to work in Chicago this summer. Marianne would love to hear from *Karen Sander, Edna Scheindling and Laura Milliken*.

I also received a letter from *Amy Blumberg Hafey*, who is in Los Angeles at USC Law Center. Amy got married last June to Matthew Hafey (CC '87). *Deena Sulowitz* married Jonathan Thurm and is at Cardozo Law School.

Other classmates in school include *Karen Aloni*, who is getting an MBA at Baruch College in health

administration. *Ellen Baker* received a Mellon Fellowship to study American history. *Jennifer Horowitz* is at Teachers College. *Naomi Andre* is a grad student at the Harvard Department of Music.

In the working world, *Simone Haber* is a production assistant at *Working Mother* magazine and living in Brooklyn. *Juliet Garson* is juggling part-time positions teaching English language and basic literacy skills to adults in Manhattan. *Rebekah Kowal* is the director of the Ann Kendall Richards Inc. art gallery and dancing in the company of *Patricia Cremins '83, Lynn-Marie Zerbarini* works in San Francisco as the AIDS Prevention Coordinator at the Larkin Street Youth Center. *Alyssa McBride* is the assistant to the US editor of French *Vogue* and French *Glamour* in New York.

I've spoken to *Dimitra Kessenides*. She was a paralegal at Paul, Weiss this year and is off to Europe for the summer. Next year she will be at NYU studying journalism.

*Jennifer Altman* is working in Washington, DC, for the Alan Guttmacher Institute and plans to attend Columbia Law School in the fall. *Christina Steranka* was married in August 1989 to Oleh Danyluk. *Ilene Stern* is still living at home but wrote that, as of April, she was visiting Barnard Career Services all the time.

Belated congratulations to *Soo Park* and Dr. Alex Kim, who were married on December 30, 1989, in Westwood, CA.

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Congratulations to us all, and welcome to the world of *Barnard Alumnae*! For the next five years, I will look forward to gathering news from all classmates and sharing it with the rest of us through this column. Please keep me up-to-date on your lives and thoughts so we'll all know that we're not alone "out there." This issue is being mailed to you at the address that was on the College's records as of mid-July. If it is not current, please use the coupon that you'll find on or near this page to send the correct information to the Records Office. I hope to hear from you soon!

# Campus Calendar 1990-91 (Part I)

Academic Year Opens September 6

"Works by Women"  
14th Annual Film & Video Festival  
Thursday-Saturday, October 11-13

Parents Open House  
Thursday-Friday, October 18-19

Seventh International Conference on Translation  
Friday-Saturday, November 16-17

12th Annual Conference on Medieval and Renaissance Studies  
Saturday, December 1

Alumnae Travel—Voyage to the Galapagos Islands  
with Professor Philip Ammirato  
January 9-20, 1991

Women Poets at Barnard  
February 7, March 7, April 4 (evenings)

Alumnae Reunion 1991  
Friday-Saturday, May 17-18

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Minor Latham Playhouse Events  
(212-854-2079)

Fall Dance Concert—October 18-19-20-21

Theatre at Barnard—all-female version of Shakespeare's *Hamlet*  
November 7-18

Winter Dance Concert  
November 29-30, December 1-2

Gilbert and Sullivan Society  
December 6,7,8

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Women's Center Programs  
(212-854-2067)

Women's History Series  
September 18, October 29, December 4

Feminist Biography and Autobiography  
October 24, November 7, November 28 (evenings)

18th Annual Scholar and the Feminist Conference  
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### Trip Highlights:

- Two days in Quito, Ecuador, the oldest capital city in South America, rich in history and cultural tradition.
- Seven days aboard the Galapagos Explorer, a floating hotel with all outside cabins and lower berths, with a full range of leisure-time facilities.
- Landings on a dozen islands where we will see plants and animals found nowhere else in the world—a paradise for birders, photographers, nature lovers of all sorts.



The cost of the program, which includes round trip airfare from Miami, starts at \$2,985 per person, double occupancy (with actual cost dependent on cabin choice). Also included are American breakfast daily, one lunch and one dinner in Quito, all meals aboard ship, gala farewell dinner in Guayaquil, and all sightseeing expenses, entrance fees and transfers related to the itinerary.

A brochure containing full details has been mailed to all alumnae. Space is very limited, so we urge you to send your reservation application promptly.

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